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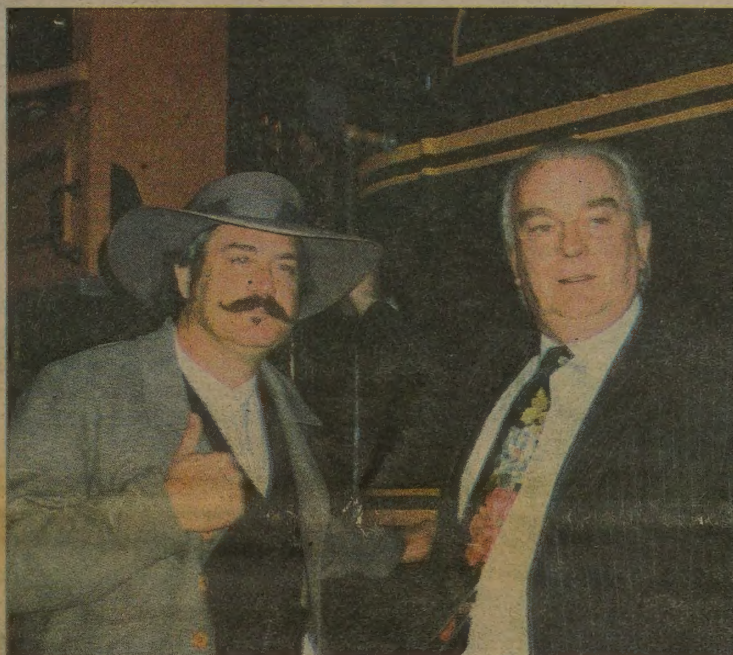
<electricscotland.com> to sponsor "Best & Most Creative Clan Tent" award beginning with Loch Norman

Alastair McIntyre of <electricscotland.com> announces a new contest at many Highland Games...the "Best & Most Creative Clan Tent" award. The winning Clan at each Games where this competition is held will receive a check for \$100. Photographs of their tent will go up on <electricscotland.com> and will remain for a year...adding new winners each time there is a competition. At the end of the year, visitors to the Internet site will vote on the "Best of the Best" for the year. The Grand Prize from <electricscotland.com> will be \$1000 cash to the winning group.

The competitions will begin at the upcoming Loch Norman Highland Games in Huntersville, North Carolina. There will be one anonymous judge representing <electricscotland.com> and one anonymous judge representing each games. Winners will be announced the day of the games.

Hopefully, other "Best & Most Creative Clan Tent" award Games for the remainder of 2004 include Grandfather Mountain

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Harper Harris, Lead Interpreter at the Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History (in Association with The Smithsonian Institution) in Kennesaw, Georgia with Lord Laird of Artigarvan (John Laird), Patron, The Ulster-Scots Society of America. In the background, the famous locomotive *The General*.

Lord Laird of Artigarvan visits Georgia to promote Scots-Irish

In conjunction with the new theatrical production, *The Scots-Irish Journey On Eagle's Wing* (for complete information, <http://www.oneagleswing.com>), set for it's World Premier in Atlanta May 7, 8, 9 John Laird, Lord Laird of Artigarvan has been on an extended visit in the Atlanta area.

Lord Laird visited the Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History in Kennesaw, Georgia. On display is the *General*, the locomotive stolen from under the watchful eyes of guards at nearby Camp McDonald.

The *General* and the story of the adventure were subjects of *The Great Locomotive Chase*, a Disney movie starring Fess Parker.

Lord Laird is the Chairman of the Ulster-Scots Agency and also President of the County Tyrone Artigarvan Ulster-Scots Association.

Lord Laird took the title of Lord of Artigarvan in honour of his mother who was from the area when he was called to the House of Lords a few years ago.

Georgia General Assembly designates May Scots-Irish month

Under Senate Resolution 632, the Georgia General Assembly, designated May as Scots-Irish Month in the State of Georgia, USA.

COSCA

Scottish Harp
Scholarship
announces
2003 winner...

Congratulations to Cynthia Cathcart!

Cynthia Cathcart of Silver Springs, Maryland has been awarded the 2003 Ethel K. MacNeal Scholarship for the Scottish harp. The annual award is sponsored and funded by the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc. (COSCA).

The award was announced during the 2003 Tenth annual Loch Norman Highland Games, Huntersville, North Carolina.

The \$1,000 annual scholarship will be used by Ms. Cathcart in private study of harp music. She has been a keen student of the Scottish harp for nine years and also plays the piano. Cathcart has won the National harp title twice, once in Texas and once at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Ms. Cathcart is very active in the Scottish Harp Society of America, Inc., and is affiliated with Clan Ogilvie and a close friend of Clans Fraser, Hamilton and Lamont.

The Scottish Harp was often a hereditary office and harpers were many times seen with their clan chief in battle.

Royce Neil McNeill, administrator for the Ethel K. MacNeal Scottish Harp Scholarship is now accepting applications for the 2004 scholarship until April 1, 2004. Applications may be obtained by contacting: COSCA-Ethel K. MacNeal Scottish Harp Scholarship, 1824 Stonyridge Drive, Charlotte, NC 28214-8341.

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Joseph H. Vann presents The Life and Times of the Vann Family

Joseph H. Vann, great, great grandson of Chief Rich Joe Vann, gives us an insight into one of Georgia's colorful Cherokee families -- the Vanns. Vann gives freshness to a part of history that is sometimes passed over or glibly mentioned in history books. *The Life and Times of the Vann Family* is a story of a clash between two cultures -- Cherokee and the white settlers. There was a clash of ideologies and the need for land. One of the most definitive causes of conflict was the discovery of gold in North Georgia. Word eventually leaked out and the rush was on and the river of golden tears flowed freely.

The gold rush was one of the contributing factors to the wealth of the Vanns. Chief James Vann built the Vann House mansion and owned Diamond Hill Plantation. Rich James Vann inherited the plantation and mansion. He purchased a steamboat *The Lucy Bell*. *The Lucy Bell*, while in a race, exploded and Joe Vann was killed.

No novel, fact or fiction, is written without romance. The Vann men were cavalier and lovers. James Vann was married four times but still had a wandering eye. Rich Joe Vann numerous romantic encounters but it was Jennie Springston who caught his eye. He married Jennie in 1820.

I recommend this book to students of history and to those readers who like to read nonfiction novels, adventure, romance and family history. Very few books about the First Americans exist that tells the story from the First American point of view and are written by a First American.

-- Will W. Rogers

Death, marriage and probate notices from Montgomery, Alabama newspapers, Vol. II (1866-1875) ready now!

Death Marriage and Probate Notices from Montgomery, Alabama Newspapers, Volume II (1866-1875) is ready for release.

This is the second volume in a continuing series of newspaper transcriptions related to Montgomery, Alabama. The collection picks up where *Volume I* ended.

It contains valuable historical and genealogical information on individuals who resided in Central Alabama counties following the Civil War. During the years following the Civil War, some local newspapers were not in operation, so the Montgomery newspapers became an important source of communication. The collection also contains some valuable information for individuals residing in other parts of the state.

The book has approximately 440 pages, with soft-binding and includes a detailed index. The cost is \$34.00 per copy (shipping/handling included).

To receive a copy of this book, send your order to Larry E. Caver, Jr., PO Box 680052, Prattville, Alabama 36068.

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Other areas of the site contain a bibliography of state-wide references, Illinois Civil War sites (camps, cemeteries, prisons), famous Illinoisans, Illinois Women in the Civil War, Medal of Honor Recipients, Regimental Flags and Nicknames and more.

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All roads lead to Frankfort for the 31st KY Genealogical Society's seminar

On August 7, 2004 the Kentucky Genealogical Society's 31st annual seminar will be held in Frankfort, Kentucky. Titled *Back Home to Virginia*, the seminar will provide sources to researchers for finding ancestors in Virginia. The event will be held at the Kentucky History Center at 100 West Broadway in Frankfort. Distinguished speaker for the seminar will be Barbara Vines Little. Her topics will

include *Virginia Military Records: Colonial Wars, Militia and Revolutionary War; The Virginia Frontier: Little Known Sources; Piedmont Virginia Migrations: Sources and Evidence; and Born in Virginia: How Do I Find Him?*

Registration and browsing will be from 8 AM until 8:45 AM. The speaker will begin at 9 AM with the seminar ending after a 4 PM question and answer session.

For reservation and/or exhibitor information, call Roberta Peake Padgett at 502-223-7541 or e-mailing her at <kygs@aol.com>.

World War I draft lists give excellent information

All men in the US, regardless of physical, marital or citizenship status, from the ages of 17 to 45, had to register for the draft in World War I. Each prospective serviceman was required to answer certain questions, including name, age, birthplace, occupation, educational and citizenship status.

These forms give excellent information on immigrants who came into the US from the late 1800s to 1915. The forms were collected by the Georgia branch of the National Archives and have also been microfilmed by the LDS. However, information is filed by state and county, so it is necessary to know the county of residence.

Source: *Kinfolks*, Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 5652, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70606-5652.

Researching in New England???

Are you doing New England research? Are you already a member of NEGHS (New England Genealogy and Historical Society)? Do you need to belong to that organization?

Go to <<http://www.newenglandancestors.org/research/database/default.asp>> to view the databases that members access online. FREE.



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Looking for Irish famine immigrants 1846-1851? Find'em online!

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has put online several important databases, one of which is the **Irish Famine Immigrants, 1846-1851**, which identify 604,596 persons who arrived in the United States, 1846-1851, and the ships on which they arrived.

The project that created them identifies the materials as the Famine Irish Collection; their published version limits the immigrants to persons who arrived at the port of New York, 1846-1851. Each of the records contains data on a passenger and may include age, town of last residence, destination, passenger arrival date, and codes for passenger's sex, occupation, literacy, native country, transit status, travel compartment, passenger port of embarkation, and the identification number for the ship manifest.

These records include passengers aboard ships with both Irish and non-Irish ports of embarkation for emigration to America. The "standard search" can be done by last name, first name, town of last residence, or passenger arrival date. Once you've found a passenger in which you are interested, you could search by manifest identification number to generate a list of all passengers on the particular vessel. Be sure to study the descriptive information about the record series so you can fully understand how to search the file and how to interpret the data you find.

To go directly to this site use <http://aad.archives.gov/aad/series_description.jsp?series_id=639&coll_id=1002>. If that does not work, use <<http://www.archives.gov/add/>>.

Our thanks to the *Whittier Area Genealogical Society's (WAGS) Newsletter*, P. O. Box 4367, Whittier, California 90607-4367.

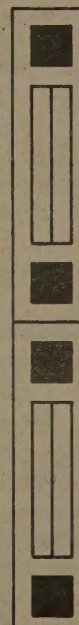
Here's access to many wonderful resources...

The Godfrey Memorial Library in Middletown, Connecticut, has expanded its Godfrey Scholars program. They offer on-line access to HeritageQuest, along with searchable versions of *The Los Angeles Times* (1881-1984), *The New York Times* (1851-2001) and *The Washington Post* (1877-1988).

You can search every word in every article. Visit <www.Godfrey.org> for a look at this interesting site.

There are more newspapers available and the Godfrey Library website has details on all the on-line services the library provides. You will find a membership application you can download, fill out and mail in.

The cost to become a Godfrey Scholar is \$35.00 a year.





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Cleveland County Genealogical Society plans seminar for July

On Saturday, July 17, 2004, the Cleveland County Genealogical Society will host its 19th annual summer seminar from 9 AM to 4 PM at the Brand Center, 501 East Main Street in Moore, Oklahoma. The keynote speaker will be Pamela Boyer Porter, CGRS, CGL. Topics include *Clues in Missouri Migration, West from Missouri, Rogues and Rascals, and Mapping Software for Genealogists*.

For a registration brochure, send a business size, stamped, self-addressed envelope to Cleveland County Genealogical Society, PO Box 6176, Norman, Oklahoma 73070. For more information, see the CCGS website <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~okccogs>> or send an email to <ccgs@coxinet.net>. Any other questions or further information, please contact Julia Mills, Seminar Committee Chairman, at <jmills1725@hotmail.com>.

"Lineal?" "Collateral?" "Allied?"

In genealogy, the term "lineal" means either ascending or descending to a direct line. "Collateral" means descended from the same ancestor, but not in a direct line of descent. "Allied" families are families related usually through marriage.

Source: *WAGS Newsletter*, Whittier Area Genealogical Society, PO Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607-4367.

Confederate veterans buried in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Many men from Old Imperial Calcasieu Parish (Louisiana) fought in the war, and

after the war men who had fought on the Union side came to make their homes in south-west Louisiana.

There are many veterans buried in Lake Charles (Louisiana) cemeteries. There are 31 Confederate graves in the old Catholic Cemetery on Iris Street, 12 in Bilbo Cemetery on the Lake front, 17 in Corporation Cemetery off Interstate 10, 20 in Sallier Cemetery on South Ryan Street, 32 in Goos Cemetery, and almost 100 in Orange Grove and Graceland Cemeteries on Broad Street.

Source: *Kinfolks*, South-west Louisiana Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 5652, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70606-5652.

AZ State Library has interlibrary loan

The Arizona State Library has a professional collection of genealogy books that can be checked out through Inter-Library loan. This is the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records web site <<http://www.lib.az.us>>.

If you would like to phone them, their number is 1-800-228-4710. Two librarians that could help you are Daniela at <dmoneta@lib.az.us> and Judy at <jmullen@lib.az.us>. If you would like a group tour of the library and archives, they would love to have you visit.

From the *Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc. Newsletter*, PO Box 953, 1750 North McCulloch Boulevard, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86405-0953.

Carter Surname DNA Project underway

The surname Carter DNA project is looking for Carter researchers who do not know about the DNA project and who would be interested in joining our project. Many of us are facing brick walls. We are hoping by using DNA we will be able to match with other Carter researchers and

find new clues to help us continue with our search. The website is <www.carter-cousins.org>.

For further information, contact project administrator Vickie Carter Tallent at <vickie@carter-cousins.org>.

Source: *Nuggets from Paradise*, Paradise Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 460, Paradise, CA 95967-0460.

American Family Records Association disbands

The Board of Directors of the American Family Records Association announced they voted at a recent Board meeting to disband AFRA as an organization due to membership declining and funds dwindling.

President Janice Schultz notified members that the organization in lieu of reimbursing membership fees would be offering free to any member any of AFRA's publications. She said they only ask to be reimbursed for the cost of postage. Members may check their latest *Family Records, Today!* for a complete list of publications.

Members are encouraged to use the Internet and email <AMFamRecrd@aol.com> with a list of those publications

they would like as soon as possible.

Texas Research Ramblers set 10th annual seminar

The Texas Research Ramblers 10th annual Seminar is set for Saturday, 17 April 2004 at Blinn College Campus in Bryan, Texas. The speakers for the event include: Ella Sheffield, Mic Barnette, and Robert de Berardinis.

You may visit the Research Rambler website for complete registration information: <<http://www.sallysfamilyplace.com/Clubs/ramblers.htm>>

Obituary Daily Times now online!

One website called *Obituary Daily Times* is placing online an index to obituaries contributed by persons all over the world who clip obituaries from their local newspaper. The original themselves, but the arrival of 2,500 new entries a day forced a quick shift to an index only! It would seem that most of these would be for recent deaths.

For more information visit <www.rootsweb.com/obituary/>

Family Tree Newsletter Contest ends May 1, 2004!

You're invited to participate in the 2004 *Family Tree* Newsletter Contest!

We will have as many categories as there are different categories entered. We judge "apples to apples" so that the best publication in each category has a chance to win. Sometimes a small, but well-done, publication will out-do some of the "big guys!"

You do receive the judges score sheet at the conclusion of the contest and we have been told that this sheet is worth the entry fee of \$25.00.

It's easy to enter. Just send two different copies of your publication, along with the name, address and other contact information of the editor with your entry fee of \$25.00. Mail to: Newsletter Contest, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828.

We already have a few early entries, so you may send your publications any time between now and May 1

Prizes include banners, silver bowls and trays, certificates and ribbons...plus everyone receives their judges scoring sheet.

All winners are listed in *The Family Tree* in the June issue.

Proceeds of the contest go towards travel expenses for *The Family Tree*. Questions? Call Beth at 229-985-6540.

The Presley-Pressley Family History Site

<<http://presley-pressley.com>>

We are dedicated to researching the history and genealogy of the Presley and Pressley families, including all spelling variants (Pressley, Pressler, Pursley, Preslar, Pursell, Priestly, etc.) Please join us on the worldwide web or by postal mail. We want to learn everything we can about these families and we welcome your input.

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Delaware tribal member releases new CD

Steve Osburn, a member of the Delaware Tribe, has been playing the Native American flute for just over a year, and his music has reached the #1 position on < M p 3 . c o m > , <Broadjam.com> and other music charts. His latest CD is *The Best of Steve Osburn*, combines traditional flute music with modern effects such

as strings, percussion, nature sounds, with English and Native dialog. Using a Navajo flute, Osburn recorded his first CD in Tulsa, Oklahoma. His music is currently in the #1 position on MP3 .com's Native American and North American music charts.

You can hear his music at <mps.com/steveosburn>, <MP3.com/SteveOsburn> and on American Indian Radio on Satellite at <http://www.airos.org>. His CD can also be purchased on his

website and at
<www.cdbaby.com> or
<www.amazon.com>.

Look for Native American ancestors on-line

If you are researching Native American ancestry...be sure and visit: <http://www.accessgenealogy.com/native>

This Native American genealogy site is 17 printed pages of information to aid in searching for Native American ancestors. Pages are divided into easy-to-use links and searchable databases. Topics include: State Pages; What's New or Updated; Quick Links; Free Databases; Rolls (examples include Reservation Roll of 1817, Armstrong Roll of 1830, etc.); Mailing Lists; CD's and Books; Research Tools; and Free Look-ups (of special material). This site is well worth investigating.

Thank you to the *Southern Echoes* newsletter.

Remember Glencoe

Miles MacEachern, 16 Nov. 2003

The soldiers orders came from King William:
"If their name is MacDonald you kill them!"
Those soldiers rode by night to cold Glencoe
To slaughter little children in the snow

But vengeful clansmen hadn't long to wait
Until the evil king would meet his fate
A little mole would bring retribution
When he arranged the king's execution

He dug his tunnels barely underground.
Concealed from William's sight beneath a mound
His horse stepped down on one. King William fell
And broke his neck. That sent him home to Hell.

Here's to the mole...so devious...but cute
The little gent in the black velvet suit



They heard the call for the Haggis...from the UN!

On January 13, 2004 at the United Nations in New York City, a Robert Burns dinner was celebrated. The Secretary General of the United Nations, Kofi Annan, ended his Inaugural Robert Burns Memorial Lecture with these words: "Finally, while I know this is not a traditional Burns supper, I do hope you will let his hungry Secretary-General try some haggis at some point in the near future."

Because of that last sentence in Annan's speech, Jim and Jean Cunningham, president and secretary of the Robert Burns Association of North America (R.B.A.N.A.), who reside in Canada, sent forth an urgent call to members in the U.S.A. to answer the request and provide the Secretary-General with a wee taste o'the Haggis. To have Kofi Annan talk so eloquently about Burns made us all proud and this was the least we could do.

Barbra Bartz, a Florida Burnsian, alerted colleague Frank Campbell and together they approached The St. Andrew Society of Sarasota with a mandate to take up the challenge.

Jim Martin, president of The St. Andrew Society of Sarasota, and Sheila, owner of "Scots' Corner" in Sarasota, who could supply the Haggis, were contacted. Together they agreed with the Burnsians (Barbra and Frank). Why not send a Florida Haggis to Kofi at the United Nations so that he may partake of the scrumptious delicacy?

President Jim Martin bestowed an honorary membership on the Secretary-General as follows:

"I hereby decree that Kofi Annan be inducted as an Honorary Member of The St. Andrew Society of Sarasota, Inc. for his contribution to the culture and heritage of Scotland in the outstanding delivery of the Inaugural Robert Burns Memorial Lecture to the United Nations on January 13, 2004. President Jim Martin, The St. Andrew Society of Sarasota, Florida."

A call was made to Kofi Annan's office at the UN to see if the gift of Haggis would be acceptable and clear security. It was packed in dry ice and sent overnight by FedEx with cooking directions.

Thanks to Frank Campbell and Barbra Bartz for this article.

Need help with your Cherokee heritage research?

Quite often we are asked if we know anyone who can help do Cherokee Heritage research. Judy Cardwell has a vast collection of microfilm and other resources that enable her to find your ancestors if they ever appeared on any of the many census or emigration rolls. Judy charges a very reasonable fee of \$15 per ancestor, but check with her to make sure this is a current price. Her address is 941 Frontier Circle, Friendsville, TN 37737.

Thanks to Polk County Historical & Genealogical Society, PO Box 636, Benton, TN 37307.



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Reunions in the limelight, on TV, in the news year round

Reunions in the limelight, on TV, in the news year round, I encourage other media to feature reunions.

Last summer, one TV show wanted stories about surprises and people who'd never met, one wanted the largest reunion while most prefer something more manageable, but most are in specific areas and if we don't know where your reunion will be, we are not be able to refer it.

We are eager to see more and more reunions to inspire even more gatherings. As I learn about interview and appearance opportunities, I contact reunions for permission to refer them to interviewers.

If your reunion is between now and the end of the year and, if your members are willing to be interviewed and/or photographed, we are interested in knowing about it.

E m a i l (reunions@execpc.com) your answers to the following questions to help us make a referral. What is the name of your reunion? What are the exact dates/times you'll be meeting? Where will your reunion be taking place? What are contact phone numbers and email addresses before and during the reunion? How many do you expect to attend? How "old" is your reunion?

Please add any interesting, colorful tidbits that would help tell your story. We often make referrals based upon stories we can tell.

Anderson/McDaniel Descendants of Charles V. and Judah Ann "Smith" Anderson, and Alexander David "Sandy" and Martha "Stubbs" McDaniel. June 11-13, 2004, Lake Murray Resort, Ardmore, OK. Sandra C. Hayes, 415 North Miller, Vinita OK

74301; 918-256-8080;
<sandrahayes@junct.com>.

Anthony Descendants of Susan, Kinchon, Whit, James and Elsona Anthony. Aug 13-15, 2004, Homecoming Weekend of the Kehukie Baptist Church of Scotland Neck NC. Patti Jones, 757-223-1373; <pcj1956@yahoo.com>.

Ballymagaigan Jun 25-28, 2004, County Derry, Ireland. Many names are included in this reunion and anyone researching family history from the Ballymagaigan, Ballinderry, Magherafelt area of Derry. Contact JoAnn at <joneill119@aol.com>.

Banks Family and Friends Homecoming. Aug 7, 2004, Taylorville IL. Edie Banks, <ediebee1@aol.com>.

Burt(t)schell International reunion. May 15, 2005, Cernay (Alsace), France. Arliss Treybig, PO Box 1236, El Campo TX 77437; 979-543-3730; <aatrety@wcnet.net>.

Carter Descendants of Ann "Polly" Carter. Mount Sterling, Choctaw County AL. Alliance, Stark County OH. July 23-25, 2004. Shirley Carter, 668 South Arch Avenue, Alliance OH 44601; 330-821-1264; <carol_m_c@hotmail.com>.

Clough/Penny Celebrating Colman, & Louise Clough's 50th wedding anniversary. Aug. 13, 2004, West Fork AR. <ruthlt@yak.co.com>.

Cochran June 26, 2004, Riverside CA. Debi Cusack, 6155 Jones Ave, Apt. B, Riverside CA; 909-688-2977; <craftsdeb@charter.net>.

Gardner/Copsey June 19-20, 2004, Grand Island NE. Contact <dyle35@hotmail.com> with Gardner/Copsey Family Reunion as the subject.

Gresham-Grissom-

Grisham, Any Way You Spell it Reunion May 29, 2004, Greensboro GA. Carol Cross, 1020 Larkmartin St., Madison GA 30650; 706-342-1393; <ccarola@bellsouth.net>.

Guerin/Gueary/Geran July 23-25, 2004, Baton Rouge LA. Karen Guerin, PO Box 1521, Baton Rouge, LA 70821; 225-383-8393; <kguerin1@myfamily.com>; <http://guerin.myfamily.com>

Hatfield-McCoy 5th Anniversary! June 10-13, 2004, Pikeville KY. <www.reunionfestival.com>.

Hemphill June 11-12, 2004, Salt Lake City UT. Ray L. Hemphill, <rlh37@bellsouth.net>.

Imes Descendants of John "Jack" Imes. Jul 29-Aug 1, 2004, Baltimore MD. Carmen Harleston, 16116 Edenwood Drive, Bowie MD 20716; 301-809-0707; <cwh1107@aol.com>.

Mabin-Howelton "Reunion in the Rock 2004." July 2-5, 2004, Little Rock AR. Cornelius Mabin, Jr. Reunion in the Rock 2004, PO Box 166061, Little Rock AR 72216; 501-907-9368; <Nealix101@MSN.com>.

Marshall-Rankin Jul 22-

25, 2004, Cincinnati OH. Elizabeth Rankin-Fulcher, 212-560-2542; <fulcherelizabeth@hotmail.com>.

Means-Thurmond-Keadle. June 12, 2004, Redbone Community Clubhouse, Barnesville (Lamar Co.) GA. Lillie Wilmot, <ldw3@charter.net> or Claudine White, 770-358-3933, <ECWCAW@peoplepc.com>.

Morse/Moss All Morse, Mors, Morss and Moss descendants. Oct 22-23, 2004, Merry Manor Inn Portland ME. Kathie Halvey, 3 Poplar Rd, Beacon NY 12508-1552; <www.MorseSociety.org>.

Mueller July 22-24, 2005, Colorado Springs CO. Jerry Jones, PO Box 467, Green Mountain Falls CO 80819; 719-684-8434.

Noe A researching reunion. Jul 30-Aug 1, 2004, Scottsburg IN. Steve & Jeannie Noe Carlisle, <scjc@scottsburg.com>; <www.scottsinhistory.com>.

Odom The National Odom Assembly is dedicated to researching the Odom/Odom/Oldham family lines. They publish a newsletter and have an annual meeting. Research is

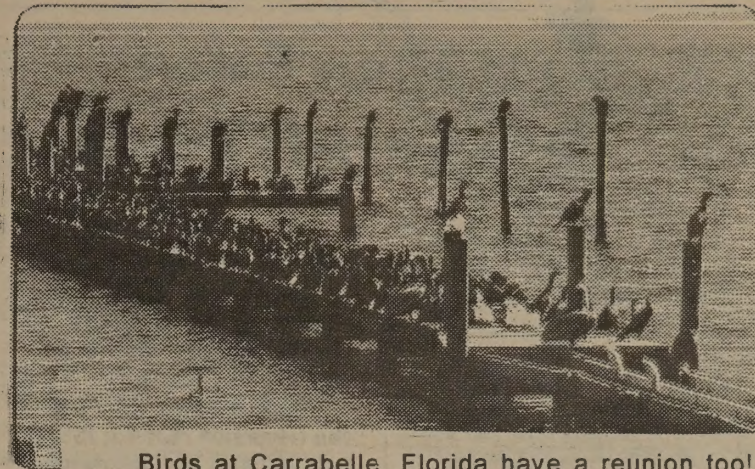
shared among the membership. July 15-18, 2004, Eufaula AL, at Lakepoint Resort State Park. Priscilla Hollingshead; 6079 Highland Circle South, Mobile AL 36608; 251-343-5055; <Pholling528@aol.com>.

Rockwell Descendants of David and Polly, Chester and Betsy Rockwell. Aug 1, 2004, Palmer Park, Janesville WI. Peggy Rockwell Gleich, PO Box 8003, Janesville WI 53547-8003; 608-752-8816; <pgleich@ticon.net>.

Smith-Wood 80th anniversary reunion. Families of Ed and Susie Smith and Willie and Omie Wood, Johnson County GA. June 6, 2004. Lehman Wood 478-98-5329. Stanridge Sep 24-25, 2004, Greenville SC. A military tombstone dedication for Revolutionary War veteran James Standridge (1755-1837) will highlight the weekend. Russell P. Baker, 6525 Magnolia Dr, Mabelvale AR 72102.

Tolsby Descendants of Johanne and Anders Tolsby. Aug 19-22, 2004, Rugby/Barton ND. Cheryl Miller, 5311 Twin Elms Dr., Racine WI 53406; 262-634-4117; <letstravel@hotmail.com>.

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The Evolution of Immigrants' names...

Karen Frisch

Many genealogists who trace their family history find themselves with the additional burden of losing their name in translation.

Mark Dennen believed that his surname was rare when he began exploring his family history. Knowing it was Irish in origin, he began his search among the records of Ireland.

He was surprised to discover that Dennen was a derivative of O'Doinnennaigh and that there were many who descended from that surname. Rather than having few who shared his origins, the opposite turned out to be the case. From Dennen to Dennehy to Denenshe, there were many who had similar names, and all were related. Whether slightly or dramatically, names often changed when families emigrated to America. In order to Americanize themselves, some immigrants Anglicized their name by translating it literally. Thus Rousseau became Brooks, and so on.

Language and cultural difference forced many immigrants to undergo significant changes as they adjusted to their new home. Some names were deliberately changed by families who preferred to be assimilated quickly into the lifestyle of their new country. Families named Schmidt who emigrated from Germany sometimes adopted the name Smith once they were established in America.

For years, there was a common conception that many names that were changed at Ellis Island used to be accepted, but that idea had since been challenged. In an article on the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) site, Marian L. Smith, a histo-

rian with the INS, reveals that immigrants were given more attention at Ellis Island than had been previously thought. She notes that passenger lists of names were compiled abroad before departure. According to records, a third of immigrant inspectors at Ellis Island had emigrated from foreign countries and spoke other languages.

Even Christian names were sometimes abandoned in an immigrant's new country, not necessarily through any legal process but rather for the sake of convenience.

Around 1882, Koleda Schaffer immigrated to America with her father following the death of her mother in Bavaria. She took a job as a domestic with a New England family. When the children in the family found it too difficult to pronounce the name Koleda, she changed it to Anna.

The American name she had selected appeared on her tombstone as well as her death certificate. Her own children later remembered hearing their mother say that her name had been Koleda before she changed it. Since there was no further reference to her given name, no legal record remains of it in America.

Chinese names often feature adaptations of the same origin. Wang, Wong, and Huang all derive from Wang, since traditionally the ruler or king (translated as Wang) would name the people in villages he visited. While the spelling of the name might have changed once an immigrant reached America, the origins remain.

Ironically, the common ancient English names that represent occupations such as



Miller or Cartwright usually survived intact. Names representing locations like Woods or Barnes also survived because they required no translation.

In cases where immigration records cannot be found, a thorough knowledge of siblings' names is helpful. Siblings often made the passage from the old country to the new, confirming the family connection when original names get lost in translation.

For more information; Changing Immigrant Names <<http://uscis.gov/graphics/aboutus/history/articles/NAMES.htm>>. *American Names/Declaring Independence* by Marion Smith, INS Historian <<http://uscis.gov/graphics/aboutus/history/articles/NameEssay.html>>.

Karen Frisch has spent years getting lost in cemeteries. With a background in Victorian studies, teaching, and writing, she has traced her lineage back thirty generations. Her interest in genealogy began as a child when her grandmother gave her a collection of old photographs from Scotland.

For more information, please contact *GEMS of Genealogy*, Bay Area Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 283, Green Bay, WI 54305-0283. ●

Alexander Hamilton tribute set for July 2004

The descendants of Alexander Hamilton are planning a wreath-laying ceremony on 13 July 2004, the 200th anniversary of his death, at the gravesite in the churchyard of Trinity Wall Street in New York City. If you would like complete information, please contact Mary Rhinelander McCarl, 28 Old Nugent Farm Road, Gloucester, MA 01930, or email <mrmcaryl@post.harvard.edu>.

Cauthon family reunion set for Osceola, Missouri

The Cauthon family will gather on July 17, 2004 at the Osceola, Missouri Community Center on Goodrich Drive. The theme for this year's reunion is "Simply Western." Dress accordingly, if you wish.

Doors open at 9 AM. Bring pictures and anything else you would like to share. Displays will be photographs and printed family histories (Family histories will also be for sale). There will be someone to help with your questions concerning the Cauthon family history. A buffet luncheon will be served at 12:30 PM.

For more information, call 321-268-1201.

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Walker/Line July 25, 2004, New Market TN. Willis Walker, 865-933-5735; <whwalkervjfc@earthlink.net>.

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Shankland Weekender Set for September

The St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut will hold its 20th annual Scottish Festival on Saturday, October 4, 2003 at the Goshen Fairgrounds on Rte. 63 in Goshen, Connecticut.

Entertainment will be provided by Charlie Zahm, IONA and various other groups. Entertainment will range from traditional to modern music. The 42nd Royal Highland Regiment of Foote will hold an encampment circa 1700s.

Competitions will be held in solo bagpiping, highland dancing and invitational athletics for men and women. Children games will also be held. For the kilted man, a bonnie knees competition will be held with sign-up at the festival.

Clan representatives from the various Scottish clans will also be present. Scottish Country Dancing, the parent of American square dancing will also be performed. There will be cultured events such as weaving, sheepherding, genealogy and more. Merchant vendors and food vendors will also be present.

The hours are 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Admission is \$10.00 for adults; \$5.00 for ages 6-16 and seniors; under age 6 free. The website is <www.sasct.org>.

Blauvelt Descendants to Meet in September

On September 20, 2003 The Association of Blauvelt Descendants will hold its 77th Annual Meeting and Reunion on the campus of St. Thomas Aquinas College in Sparkill, New York. The theme, "Putting It All Together," a genealogical event, will help all members and guests in their genealogical searches.

A three hour genealogy seminar will be conducted by Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D., Professor of Education at Gallaudet University. Dr. Jones is a noted genealogist and is certified by the N.G.R. Board for certification of Genealogists.

Lieutenant General Dan K. McNeill invited to be a Distinguished Guest at 2004 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

Lieutenant General Dan K. McNeill has been invited to be a Distinguished Guest at the 2004 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games this coming July near Linville, North Carolina.

He is a native of the State of North Carolina. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry through the ROTC Program at North Carolina State University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1968. His formal education is consistent with that of a career infantry officer and includes graduation from the U.S. Army War College in 1989.

General McNeill has commanded airborne infantry units at the company, battalion, and brigade levels. His service as a staff officer includes tours as an S3 or G3 at brigade, division, and corps levels. As a general officer, General McNeill has enjoyed assignments as an assistant division commander, corps chief of staff, and deputy corps commander. Tours in the Republic of Vietnam, Republic of Korea, Italy, Saudi Arabia/Iraq, Afghanistan, and numerous stateside posts have afforded General McNeill unique professional opportunities. Duty in Operations *Just Cause*, *Desert Shield/Desert Storm*, *Uphold Democracy*, and *Enduring Freedom* has given Lieutenant General McNeill experience in joint and combined operations and warfighting. He has most recently served as the Commanding General, XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, and Commanding General, Combined/Joint Force (CJTF)-180.

General McNeill is grateful to have been awarded the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Distinguished Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with four oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge with gold combat star, the Army Aviator Badge, and the Special Forces Tab.

General McNeill is married to the former Maureen Flanagan. They have one son, Dan K., Jr., who is a senior at Wake Forest University.



Lt. General Dan K. McNeill, Distinguished Guest at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Things it's just fun to know!

Coca-Cola was originally green.

Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.

Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

The state with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: *Alaska*.

Average number of people airborne over the U.S. any given hour: 61,000.

The most commonly used password on computer systems is "password."

Clan McAlister invites you to join them in reunion!

The Clan McAlister of America will hold its biennial Gathering at the Doubletree Hotel in Tysons Corner, Virginia, near Washington, DC, July 2 - 4, 2004.

Genealogical research support will be provided to all McAlister (all spellings) attendees. Look for your family in our 80,000 plus record computer data base or over 250 family file folders. Come and meet your cousins. Complete information may be found at <www.clanmcAlister.org>, including a printable Gathering registration form.

For further information, email Bob McAlister at <bobmac1@verison.net> or call him at 703-243-2035.

"We who lived in concentration camps can remember the men who walked through the huts comforting others, giving away their last piece of bread. They may have been few in number, but they offer sufficient proof that everything can be taken from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedoms - to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way."

Viktor Frankl, author, neurologist and psychiatrist, Holocaust survivor (1905-1997)

Dean & Creech Reunion

The Dean & Creech Reunion will be held September 5, 2004 in Morehead, Kentucky 40351. For more information, call Lloyd Dean, co-director, at 606-784-9145, or write to him at 6770 US Highway 60 E, Morehead, Kentucky 40351.

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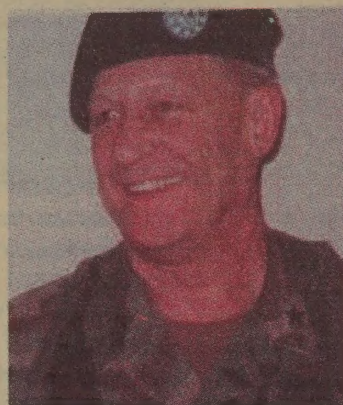
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Calling all Clan Nicolson members... a "Nose Contest" just for you

Many members of this clan are aware that one of the physical characteristics we often share is what is known as the "Nicolson Nose". It's not like a Roman nose, it's not a cute little turned-up nose, it is a nose of ample proportions and noble shape. In the year 2000 in Portree on the Isle of Skye, our new chief John MacNeacail presented Jan



Can you beat this? The challenge presented by Mike Nichols.

Nicolson with a trophy he had brought from Australia, an aboriginal stone carving of a nose of prodigious size and weight. Jan is holding this trophy until a new winner can be found.

Now we have been presented with a challenge. Clan member Brigadier-General Michael Nichols of Seaside, Oregon enclosed a couple of photographs and wrote:

"I'm not a handsome man, nor yet the proverbial chopped liver. I will state, however, that a man with a large proportionately shaped nose is found to be attractive indeed by the fairer sex. Witness my beautiful MacIntosh wife, which leaves no doubt about the allure of the Nicolson Nose. I should like to add that my nose is one of great

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A wedding dress is white...thanks to Queen Victoria... and more wedding trivia...

The color white for a wedding dress was introduced by Queen Victoria. Before that, any color was fine except green (which was associated with the fairies) and black (which was for mourning).

The tradition of the bride wearing "something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue" is still often followed.

Traditionally, there were never any knots in ribbons or wedding clothing. If there were, they were re-tied after the wedding. Have you ever referred to a wedding as "tying the knot?"

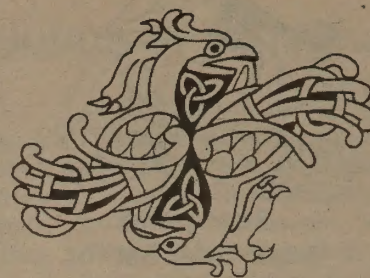
Thanks to *The Caledonian Courier*.

1837 travel hints make today's travel look easy easy easy

Individuals who wish to travel through the interior of Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, etc., will find that the most convenient, sure, economical and independent mode is on horseback. Their expenses will be from seventy-five cents to one dollar fifty cents per day, and they can always consult their own convenience and pleasure as to time and place. Stage fare is usually 6 cents a mile in the west. Meals, at state-houses, 37-1/2 cents.

Steamboat deck passengers - the deck for such passengers is usually in the mid-ship, forward of the engine, and is protected from the weather. Passengers furnish their own provisions and bedding. They often take their meals at the cabin-table with the boat hands and pay twenty-five cents a meal. Thousands pass up and down the rivers as deck passengers, especially emigrating families, who have their bedding, provisions, and cooking utensils on board.

The whole expense of a single person from New York to St. Louis, by the way of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, with cabin passage on the river, will range between \$40 and 45, with travel time being from twelve to fifteen days. Taking the transportation lines on the Pennsylvania canal, and a deck passage in the steamboat, the expenses will range between \$20 and \$25, supposing the person buys his meals at twenty-five cents and eats twice a day. If he carries his own provisions, the passage, etc. will be from \$15 to \$18.



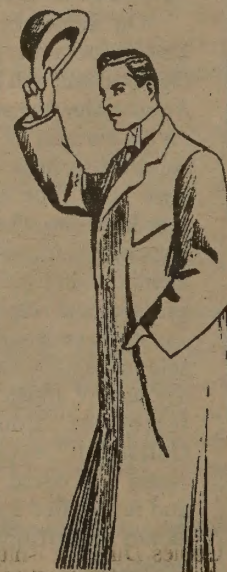
Clan MacLeod celebrates 50th anniversary

If you see a lot of bright yellow tartan in Chicago this coming July, you will know that Clan MacLeod is gathering to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of Clan MacLeod USA. The clan was founded in 1954 in Chicago.

There will be a private dinner on July 1st at The University Club of Chicago, which was the site of the 1954 meeting. Chief John MacLeod of MacLeod from Dunvegan Castle in Scotland will attend, along with N. Douglas MacLeod from Rhode Island, the only surviving USA member of that memorable meeting.

The actual North American Gathering will begin at 9 AM on the morning of July 2nd with the opening ceremony at the Sheraton Northwest in Arlington Heights.

Clan MacLeod has many Sept families such as MacCaskill, MacClure, Beaton, Lewis and MacCrimmon to name only a few. All MacLeods, their Septs, other Scots or interested families are cordially invited to attend. Please note the website for complete details: www.clanmacleodusa.org.



Blair Atholl Memorial Plaque unveiled by His Grace The Duke of Montrose

A Blair Atholl Memorial Plaque was unveiled by His Grace, The Duke of Montrose recently.

The ceremony, which was held September 6, 2003, was opened by Clan Graham Society member Lt. Col. Malcolm McVittie, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders with a welcome and introduction. Chairman Alan Macpherson gave an account of the events that led to the Standard being raised at the Truidh. His Grace, the Duke of Montrose then unveiled the plaque.

Montrose was an early subscriber to the National Covenant. He commanded the Covenant troops during the Bishops' War (1638-39) but after the Pacification of Berwick he became disillusioned by the ambition of some of the Covenanters to usurp the legitimate power of the king. In 1642 Montrose offered his services to the king. For many months Montrose tried to raise an army for the king but suffered many setbacks. Eventually in August 1644, the newly created Marquis as Lieutenant Governor and Captain General of Scotland 'invaded' Scotland with two companions. By the end of August, Montrose was near Blair Atholl, and on the 30th of August he raised the Royal Standard at the Truidh.

Addresses were given by Peter Wishart MP, Councillor John Culliven, John Cameron, John Kerr, and Robin Bell. A presentation was given by Sandy Macpherson, vice chairman, to Mr. Gordon of Lude.

Clan Hunter and Clan Muirhead to gather next August in Scotland

The Clan Hunter and Clan Muirhead will hold a joint International Gathering next August 6-August 8 at Hunterston Castle, West Kilbride, Ayrshire, Scotland.

For complete information on membership and the gathering, please visit <http://www.hunterclanusa.org> and/or <http://www.clanmuirhead.com>

A tale of three sisters

Raymond Hunter, (Yes, he is Mel's cousin!)

In the early part of the 1800s, there were three families who lived first in Cherokee County, North Carolina, then subsequently in Union County, Georgia. Solomon Chapman, born March 19, 1814, had five sons and five daughters, among whom were Susannah (born in 1849), Lavina (born January 9, 1852), and Arminta (born September 21, 1864). Reuben Deaver, born January 9, 1811, married first to a Lydia (maiden name unknown), who was born April 27, 1813, died October 27, 1870. Reuben offered a deal to Susannah Chapman, who was for a reason lost in the mists of time considered unmarriageable - perhaps she was harelipped, or had a disfiguring facial birthmark, or had a severe speech impediment. Being unmarriageable in those years was a severe liability; she faced a future of dependence on various family members for her upkeep.

Reuben Deaver proposed to marry her. (They were in fact married on December 18, 1870 in Union County, Georgia.); with the arrangement that she would take care of him in his senior years, and that on his death he would will to her all of his estate, providing for her financial security. He did in fact do so; his will is found in the Union County wills, probated in August 1888. Susannah did more than keep house for Reuben; they produced five sons.

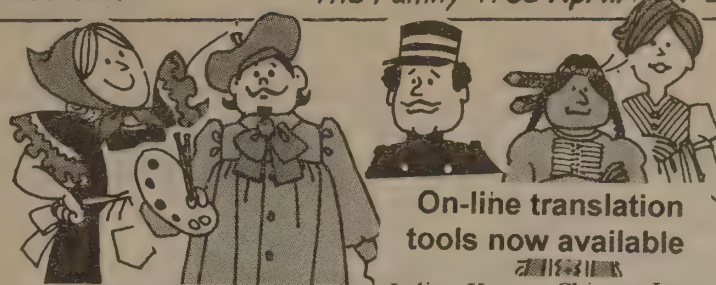
In the meantime, the son of the third family, one William W. Welch, had married a daughter of Reuben Deaver and his first wife, Lydia - marrying Elvira Deaver, who was born 1842, died 1879. William was thus the son-in-law to Reuben Deaver. One of the offspring to that marriage was Lou Ella (or Ellen, as most documents list her) Welch, born in 1870. She married Grant Rhodes, and from that union came James McKinley Rhodes, the grandfather to Mel Gay, husband to your editor, Beth.

A son to that marriage was Thomas Reuben Welch, who was born August 28, 1861. He married in 1884 to Arminta Chapman. His daughter was Margaret Caledonia Welch, who married John Start Hunter; from that union came a grandson... well, me.

William Welch's wife, Elvira Deaver, then died, and William married a second time to Lavina Chapman on September 30, 1880. From that union came six children. So between 1884, when Reuben Welch married Arminta Chapman, and 1888, when Reuben Deaver died, there were three generations (Reuben Deaver; his son-in-law, William Welch; and his grandson, Thomas Reuben Welch) who were married to three sisters.

To you family history buffs who can work out any kind of degree of kinship, a challenge: develop a complete chart giving all of the family relationships of the three Chapman sisters and their offspring.

Thanks from the *Family Tree* to Raymond Hunter of Kilbrae Farm and Gardens, 2739 Freeman Road, Royston, Georgia 30662, phone 706-245-5682.



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The tale of a shepherd's dog lives on



THE SHEPHERD'S DOG.

From Marie McIntyre Nemnich of Florissant, Missouri, we received this lovely letter: "I'm of Scottish descent... I'm 82. I love Robert Burns stories, so am enclosing this page from an old book I have, *Wood's Illustrated Natural History* by the Reverend J. G. Wood printed in London in 1879. We have in our household a Border Collie (mix) age 8 years, adopted 6-1/2 years ago from the Animal Protective Association. He has loyalty to only one, my daughter, and is very protective of her. They didn't have a large number of breeds in 1879, so is probably descended from *The Shepherd's Dog* written about on these pages. A devout Christian or someone who doesn't or has never had a dog companion may not appreciate Robert Burns' words.

"Another interesting story about our dog. My grandson invited us to last Easter dinner. We always come home with leftovers. That day it was roast lamb. The dog always comes to my daughter for human food bites. When she offered him a bite of lamb, he shook all over, backed away and made strange sounds - not barking. We realized in his DNA and genes as a Border Collie, his master probably said, "These sheep are for you to guard, not to eat."

"I love the study of our Scottish genealogy and look forward to each issue of *The Family Tree*."

If you're interested in sharing your Robert Burns stories with Marie, you can email her at <www.mariemcintyre@yahoo.com>.

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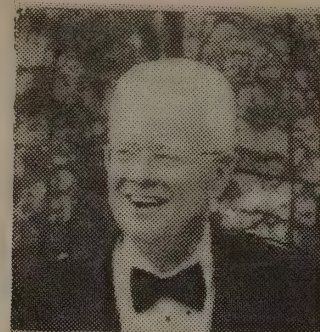
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A Highlander & His Books!

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THE DA VINCI CODE By DAN BROWN

One of the great joys of writing this column in each issue of *The Family Tree* is being able to select what I want to read and what I want to review. Hear this - they are not one and the same! I read a lot of books that I do not review. I work for a great editor, Beth Gay, who has never told me to review a particular book. It doesn't get much better than that! This is part of the material I used in a recent speech to The Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem, Commandery of Jacques de Molay in Atlanta, Georgia. My apologies to those present at that meeting who now find themselves having leftovers. Once was enough!

The Da Vinci Code debuted as #1 on *The New York Times*' Bestseller List and has since sold over six and a half million copies. It was recently replaced as #1 on the *Times*' Bestseller List by John Grisham's latest book, but as I write this article, *The Da Vinci Code* has since outsold Grisham's book to once again become the #1 bestseller! Interestingly, the only book to outsell *The Da Vinci Code* since its debut is the latest Harry Potter book by Scotland's richest and most recently designated billionaire, J. K. Rowling.

Why review a book that has been #1 on every bestseller list in the world? You heard me right, every bestseller book list on the face of this planet. One reason is that I do not know how many of our readers subscribe to *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Chicago Sun Times*, or *The Sydney Morning Herald* down under, much less the major newspapers throughout the European

Union.

But I do know this much - Dan Brown can write a good story, one you do not want to end, and when it does, you wish there was more. But take notice, you who are faint of heart, more is on the way as a sequel is currently being written about another mysterious society, the Masons, that will take us through more hypnotic events by Harvard's Professor of Religious Symbolology, Robert Langdon, the hero of the book.

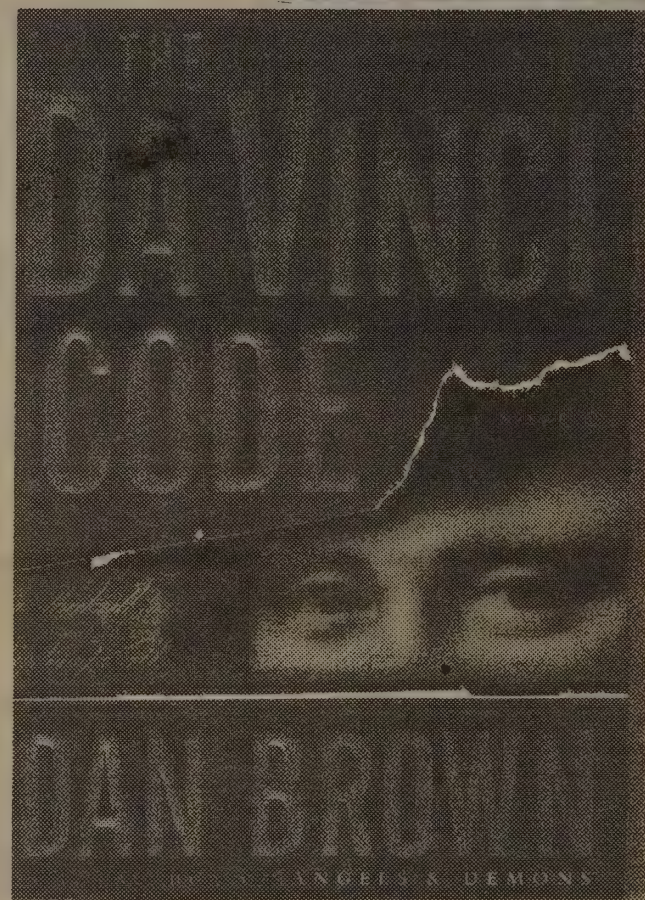
This is an absorbing and fascinating book about intrigue, mystery, secret codes, religion, deception, murder, and naturally, sex - not necessarily in that order. It is the age-old story of the search for the Holy Grail. It is also a story about Jesus and his lover. According to the author, the question is not "Where is the grail?" but rather "What is the grail?" We are taken one step further by being told it is a "who" and not a "what" or a "where" that we should be seeking. *The Da Vinci Code* reveals in no uncertain terms that the grail is not a silver chalice but a sarcophagus and four boxes of papers removed from Solomon's Temple by a group of knights from the religious order of Knights Templar.

Off to France, the knights fled with The Holy Grail intact and eventually they made their way to Scotland, just a few miles out of Edinburgh. The problem is not can we find the boxes and the sarcophagus, but whose body is it? Believe it or not, the author tells us what many have known for years - the sarcophagus is a female! According to religious tradition but not the Bible, she is one of ill repute engaged in the oldest profession on earth. Go figure.

This female is none other than Mary Magdalene. *The Da Vinci Code* says Mary was married to Jesus, was loved more by Jesus than he loved any of the apostles, was pregnant with the child of Jesus when he was crucified, fled to France (Gaul, then) for her safety, and gave birth to a daughter who was named Sarah. Dan Brown says there is a family tree of Jesus from then until now and that the Priory of Sion has worked to protect the bloodline of Jesus and Mary. If you want to know how the book reaches its unusual and very intriguing climax, you must read it. Suffice it to say, the book has an explosive beginning as well as ending.

No book has kicked up as much fuss or furor in the church since Nikos Kazantzakas wrote *The Last Temptation of Christ* over 40 years ago which was condemned by the Catholic Church and placed by the Pope on the Roman Catholic Index of Forbidden Books. A request for the body of Kazantzakas to lie in state in Athens before final burial in his native Crete was refused. Who is Kazantzakas? Think Zorba the Greek. What did this author, who did not begin writing novels until he was over 60 years old, do to warrant condemnation? He humanized Jesus and even suggested that Jesus might have stood in line to pay his fee to have time with the harlot Mary Magdalene in the sack!

The Da Vinci Code has created an even bigger storm for both conservative and liberal, Protestant and Catholic, from Jerry Falwell to Chicago's Cardinal Francis George. They have all had a say in trying to decipher and



discredit the book. It seems they waited almost a year (Were they asleep?) before they realized what was going on right under their noses in the church. People were reading this book by the hundreds of thousands, and women were forming groups for discussion, striving to ascertain their rightful place in the church and demanding that the church hierarchy hear what they had to say. What will be the outcome of all this controversy? As an old saying goes, "Lord only knows!" It is simply an exciting time to be alive to see if this has any modicum of truth or if it just evolves into a three-ring circus that Ringling Brothers would love to roll into town to showcase. This book, more than any other in modern times, actually has people talking about Jesus!

Dan Brown does not currently give interviews. Some say he has withdrawn to work on his sequel to "*Da Vinci*" while others insist he cannot take the heat and is trying to avoid the onslaught of the many rebuttals he is getting from the church at large. I prefer the former explanation. But, I am sad to say there will be no "*Chat with the Author of The Da Vinci Code*" in this issue of *The Family Tree* since he is not currently doing interviews. However, if you want to learn more about Brown or *The Da Vinci Code*, and if this type of information rattle your cage or pulls your chair just go on line to Google and type in Brown's name or the name of the book. You will find enough on the Internet to keep

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ROBERT BURNS LIVES!

Edited by Frank R. Shaw, FSA Scot, Atlanta, GA, USA, email: jurascot@earthlink.net

Last summer, my wife Susan and I toured Burns country. We will relive that trip in our memories for years to come. It was an experience we will tap into in the years ahead as we find ourselves returning to that beloved corner of Scotland. One of the more enjoyable things we did while in Dumfries was to visit The Globe Inn where Burns often visited and knocked back a few in his day. It was not hard to imagine "Rabbie" sitting at a table, telling stories and swapping some merry muses with his drinking buddies. We went upstairs to visit what are now the Dumfries Burns Howff Club and the bedroom Burns is reputed to have slept in from time to time, and not alone, from what we were told. This is a most charming and unusual meeting place for a Burns Club.

When you visit Dumfries, I know you will see the statue in town centre, the Burns house where the poet lived his last years, and the beautiful tomb where he is buried. Do yourself a favor - don't forget to drop in at The Globe Inn for a visit and a wee dram. You'll feel welcome at the bar and, if you are lucky enough, you'll be invited upstairs to visit the club. If you are unfamiliar with the word "Howff," read on as our guest columnist explains. It is difficult to describe what the eyes saw, the mind registered, and the heart felt. Suffice it to say, all three joined together in a greater appreciation of the Bard. I wish I were there now!

We are honored to have one of the Howff Club members as our guest columnist, David Smith, Past President and now Hon. Secretary.

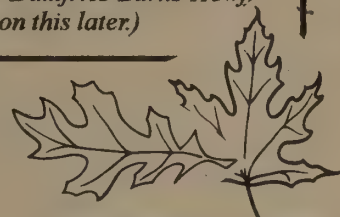
(Notice of Correction: I wish to point out that there is a life-size bronze statue of Jean Armour at Mauchline Cross, made possible by members of the Mauchline Burns Club. It was unveiled on November 30, 2002. My thanks to Shirley Bell and Peter Westwood for correcting the record via email. Furthermore, another statue to Jean Armour is to be raised by the Dumfries Burns Howff Club in the near future. More on this later.)

New Clan Campbell sept tartan to be unveiled

The new Clan Campbell sept tartan, "California Burns," will be officially unveiled at the fifth annual Dixon Scottish Games & Gathering on Saturday, September 25th, in Dixon, California.

Designed and commissioned by Dixon Scottish Cultural Association vice chief Don Burns, the tartan is the weathered/hunting-style version of the brightly-colored "Burns Family" modern-style tartan kilt that he wears. The California Burns pattern is of muted blue, green, red, and yellow.

The Scottish Tartans Society will award Burns and his

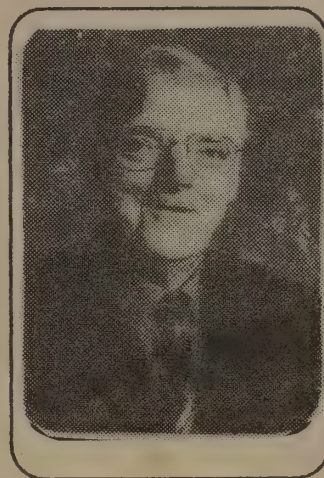


new tartan design an accreditation status in the "Registry of All Publicly Known Tartans."

Clan Campbell has been selected as the "Honored Clan" at the 2004 Dixon Scottish Games & Gathering that is annually hosted by the 228-member Dixon Scottish Cultural Association.

For more information on the September 25th Dixon Highland gathering, please visit <http://dixon.scottish-games.com> or phone 707-678-8814.

DUMFRIES BURNS HOWFF CLUB No. 112 on the Roll of the Robert Burns World Federation



David C. Smith

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Dumfries Burns Howff Club



The Globe Inn in Dumfries in South West Scotland was built in the year 1610 and is located up a close off the High Street in the town centre.

The Inn was visited regularly by Robert Burns between 1788 and 1791 when he farmed Ellisland, some eight miles north of Dumfries and during his time as an Excise Officer when his duties brought him to town. Burns and his family moved to Dumfries in 1791 and he referred to the Globe as his "favourite Howff", an old Scottish term for watering hole or place of resort, in a letter to his friend George Thomson, in January 1796. The original letter is in the Pierpont Morgan Museum in New York, USA. Whilst at Ellisland, the poet on occasion would stay overnight at the Globe and the bedroom he used is now preserved as the Burns Bedroom with mementoes of his time. There is evidence that the landlords' niece, Anna Park, "Anna of the golden locks," and Burns had many a "merry squeeze." The room on the ground floor where he would meet friends and discuss the news of the day is also preserved as a museum, and there are several windowpanes with lines of poetry and inscriptions

in his hand.

There is a history of Burns' anniversary suppers being held in the Globe in the 1860s onward when, according to the "Dumfries & Galloway Standard", admirers of the poet gathered in his Howff on 25th January to celebrate his memory with a meal of haggis and neeps and an appreciation of his works was given by a prominent townsman. Songs and recitations followed. However, in January 1889, a group of regular gentlemen patrons of the Globe and Burns enthusiasts decided to form a Burns Club and the first Anniversary dinner, or Burns Supper, was held in Burns Room that year. The club went from strength to strength and from small beginnings, originally some 20 members, the roll of membership exceeded 100. The club affiliated with the Burns Federation, itself instituted in 1885, in 1899.

In addition to the annual dinner in January, club gatherings soon increased to include celebrations on St. Andrew's Night and at Hallowe'en. The early minute books record "Song and story evenings" and a programme of lectures during the winter months, a tradition which continues to this day. Until the Second World

Clan MacLellan Immersion Weekend is planned for July

Clan MacLellan will hold its first immersion weekend in conjunction with its annual general meeting from July 22nd through the 25th 2004 in Springfield, Virginia.

For more information, please contact Dick McClellan, immersion coordinator at 703-455-4321 or email at slaintemhor9@aol.com.

Clan Henderson to be honored clan in Henderson, Nevada!

The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America will be the Honored Clan for the Henderson, Nevada Highland Games to be held in Henderson on the weekend of April 23-25, 2004.



War, St. Patrick's Night Dinners were also held in the Globe, when a speaker with an Irish connection would address the members. Other early activities included "Tatties and Herring" suppers and from the 1920s a Ladies night with a dinner and dance held in a local hotel.

Sporting events were an early feature of the club. In the 1900s, a Summer Ice Competition was held annually. Summer Ice was an indoor game played on a board similar to a snooker table. Members competed for the "Draffan Cup". Although the Summer Ice competition was discontinued at the outbreak of World War II, the "Draffan Cup" survives and is the winner's trophy for the club bowling evening. There is also an annual bowling match with Dumbarton Burns Club and although on occasion there is little bowling skill displayed, there is much enjoyable fellowship and conviviality. Another annual event is the coach outing, usually to a place with Burns connections such as Ayrshire or Edinburgh but occasionally to historic or cultural centers.

In 2003, a coach party of 50 members and friends vis-

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- BYTE: What dem dang flys do.
- CHIP: Munchies fer the TV.
- MICRO CHIP: Whut's in the bottom of the munchie bag.
- MODEM: Whutcha do to the hay fields.
- DOT MATRIX: Old Dan Matrix's wife.
- LAP TOP: Whar the kitty sleeps.
- KEYBOARD: Whar you hang the dang truck keys.
- SOFTWARE: Them dang plastic forks and knives.
- MOUSE: Whut eats the grain in the barn.
- MOUSE PAD: That's hippy talk fer the mouse hold.
- MAINFRAME: Holds up the barn roof.
- PORT: Fancy Flatlander wine.
- ENTER: Northerner talk fer "C'mon in y'all."
- CLICK: Whut you hear when you cock your gun.
- DOUBLE CLICK: When the dang gun don't far when you pull the trigger.
- REBOOT: Whut you have to do right before bedtime when you furgot the

kitty's still outside.

Many thanks for this chuckle to *Questing Heirs*, PO Box 15102, Long Beach, California 90815-0102.



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Drum Major Joe Hosh led the San Clemente Scots Pipe Band. The 11th annual event held February 14-15, 2004 in Long Beach, California featured piping, Highland and country dancing, Highland athletic competition, sheep herding demonstrations, parades, clan booths where visitors explored their Scottish heritage, merchandise and food imports, plus continuous live musical entertainment.



Harriet & Beth² - Birthday girls!



Recently, "Birthday Girls" Beth² Alligood and Harriet Carlton joined Jinx Stubbs and Beth Gay for a "Ladies Birthday Luncheon" at The Garden Patch in Moultrie. The event was complete with fancy hats, earrings, sparkledy glasses and gloves!

Both Beth² and Harriet are now old enough to vote!

Judges' ruling ends clan chief's 18-year battle!

MacDonald of Keppoch has new chief!

An acupuncturist has won his lengthy legal battle to be recognised as a clan chief after the title had lain dormant for 156 years.

Three judges have ruled that Ranald MacDonald should be recognised as Chief of the Name and Arms of MacDonald of Keppoch on present information.

They decided that he had completed his pedigree as the heir to the 14th chief who held the Highland clan title.

Mr. MacDonald, 73, from Edinburgh, first raised a petition seeking recognition of his right to succeed in 1986. Much of his claim was based on the traditional Gaelic genealogy of the male family line, passed down orally from generation to generation, known as the *sloinneadh*.

Mr. MacDonald, who has managed a hearing aid shop in Edinburgh, had his claim rejected initially by the Lord Lyon, who deals with questions of heraldry and the right to bear arms in Scotland.

But he took his case to the Court of Session, where it was heard by Scotland's senior judge, the Lord President, Lord Cullen, sitting with Lord Macfadyen and Lord Nimmo Smith.

The judges said they were prepared to grant his petition to the extent of recognizing him in the name of chief of the MacDonalds of Keppoch "for aught yet seen."

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Want to knit or crochet & help someone too?

Alice Godard Allen knits caps for the Head Start children in her area of Connecticut. She uses the yarn she has left over from other projects to design hats of all different colors. Alice is glad to share her patterns. You could make caps for children in your own area of the country. Goodwill, The Salvation Army and other groups are always looking for items like this. To get Alice's cap pattern, write her at 68 Suncrest Drive Ext., Somers, CT 06071. You may email her at <allengodard3@worldnet.att.net>.

Anne G. Jones, knits sweaters for the Guideposts sweater project. Did you know that you can get patterns from Guidepost? You can get patterns for both knitted and crocheted sweaters on their website. When you complete a sweater (or two or three or more), you send them to the Guidepost office in New York and they send the sweaters to children all over the world. Go to <guideposts.com> or write Anne at PO Box 688, Dandridge, TN 37725.



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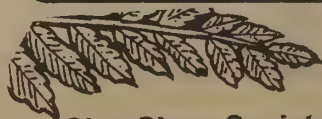
#### Hints for girls

#### who want to be handsome!

Miss Caroline Smith of Chicago consented to give the rules by which she believes she attained her present physical perfection, and which she believes is for the guidance of those of her sex who would know perfect health and perfect physical development. She says:

- \* Never wear tight belts or corsets
- \* Never wear high-heeled shoes
- \* Don't wear high collars or tight stock ties
- \* Don't ape (imitate) the kangaroo walk
- \* Don't worry, be philosophical; cultivate a cheerful disposition
- \* Diet property
- \* Eat but two meals a day
- \* Eat little or no meat
- \* Fast at frequent intervals, a week at a time is not too long
- \* Breathe properly, filling the lungs to every cell at each respiration
- \* Dress simply, have your garments loose
- \* Sleep eight hours out of every twenty four
- \* Lastly, give more attention to health than to the shifting, ever changing evanescent thing called "single" or fashion by the modern social world.

Source: Thanks to *WAGS Newsletter*, Whittier Area Genealogical Society, PO Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607-4367.



### Clan Shaw Society elects trustees

The membership of the Clan Shaw Society has elected two additional members to its Board of Trustees.

One, Mr. Edward J. Fisher of Alexandria, Virginia was one of the founders of the society twenty years ago, and was its first vice-president.

The second is Mrs. Arthur F. (Nell) Smith of Jackson, Mississippi.

Information on the Clan Shaw Society may be obtained from the secretary, William C. Shaw, 1121 North Quail Lane, Gilbert, Arizona 85233.

### Thanks to RootsWeb Review for our "Squire" article

We would like to thank *RootsWeb Review: RootsWeb's Weekly E-zine*, Vol. 6, No. 41, 8 October 2003, Circulation 946,231+ (c) 1998-2003 RootsWeb.com, Inc. <http://www.rootsweb.com/> editor Myra Vanderpool Gormley, Certified Genealogist Editor - [RWR@rootsweb.com](mailto:RWR@rootsweb.com) certification: <http://www.bgc certification.org/certification/> for our article entitled *What is a Squire* in the February/March 2004 edition of *The Family Tree*.

The article was written by Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG.



### Robert Burns Lives!, Continued from page 13A

ited the Edinburgh Military Tattoo at Edinburgh Castle where a great time was had by all. An important part of the club calendar is meeting parties from other Burns Clubs who visit Dumfries when members act as guides to the places of Burns interest in Dumfries and district. The club plays a prominent part in the promotion of competitions for local schools, based on the life and works of Burns and presents prizes annually for the winners. The club library in the Globe Inn boasts of a wide range of volumes on Burns and Scottish heritage that is regularly used for research. The stock now includes audio and video material.

Over the years, members have acquired a proud reputation for supporting local and national good causes. The club responded with enthusiasm to the appeal in 1980 for funds to create a commemorative window to Burns in St. Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh and members provide a Burns Supper annually for the residents of the Old Folks Home near to the Globe.

In 2003, the membership was 120 with a waiting list of approximately five years. Members played a leading role in the bi-centenary year of 1996 when a programme of commemorative events was held in Dumfries to mark the 200 years since the death of Burns. The programme included a Torchlight procession, lectures, a schools concert, an orchestral concert, a dinner and a Great Parade involving Burns clubs worldwide, culmi-

nating in a wreath-laying ceremony at Burns Mausoleum at St. Michael's Kirk. That was a year to remember!

The club has been fortunate over the years to attract distinguished authorities on the poet to propose the toast to the "Immortal Memory" at the Anniversary Dinner, held annually on 25th January. One of the most memorable in recent years was the visit in 1998 of Tom Sutherland, the former Beirut hostage who told members that it was his love of Burns' works that kept him alive during his long years of captivity. Mr. Sutherland, who lives in Fort Collins, Colorado, was a generous donor to the club's Jean Armour Statue Appeal. Currently, the major project is fund-raising for the erection in Dumfries of a statue to Jean Armour. All going well, the statue will be unveiled in July 2004.

*The Burns Howff Club of Dumfries carries on today the traditions of the past - good company, lively conversation, scintillating speeches and excellent harmony, just as one absent and honoured guest would have wished. Fortunately, this attitude of fellowship currently prevails in the club, and as long as humanity aspires to hopes of idealism and equality, Robert Burns' memory will shine with undimmed splendour in Dumfries and, in particular, in the Globe, his Howff, which once echoed to that voice that sang and still sings in every Scotsman's ear. (3-8-2004)*

### The Great Philadelphia Wagon Road: A New Look-an audio recording by Jo White Linn now available for your research library

Many years ago, Jo White Linn spoke to a Cathey Reunion audience on the Great Philadelphia Wagon Road. Now a generalized version is available through a commercial firm. For those new to Cathey Family history, the Catheys along with hundreds of thousands of other Scots-Irish migrated from Pennsylvania to Virginia and other southern colonies prior to the Revolutionary War.

The tape was recorded on October 15, 1994 in Richmond, Virginia. The conference was called *On to Richmond* and was sponsored by the Federation of Genealogical Societies.

For more details, check the WWW on <<http://audiotapes.com>>. The price is \$8.50 and ships "usually in 2-3 days." The product number is #VA-97.

Source: *Cathey Kith and Kin Newsletter*, Boyt Cathey, Editor, 400 Webber Road, Apartment B-2-4, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29307-2486.





# Andrew Jackson 1767-1845



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Andrew Jackson decisively transformed the presidency. In this respect he ranks with Washington, Lincoln and very few others. Yet his overall achievement is shot through with ambiguities and contradictions, making his rank as a statesman exceptionally hard to judge. At least there can be no doubt that he was an outstandingly gifted politician, and one of the most colourful figures in American history.

He was not what he seemed. To his numerous enemies he was a demagogue, a military chieftain, 'King Andrew the First', who would overthrow all the rights and liberties of Americans, a wilful, illiterate backwoodsman. To his even more numerous admirers he was a Washington for valour, a Jefferson for his love of freedom and equality, a hero who beat the British and then came from the West to overthrow the oligarchy of the East, champion of the Union, foe of privilege, tribune of the people. It was a simpler age than ours; people took the parade and hyperbole of presidential elections more seriously than they do today, for they had had much less experience of them.

In cold fact Andrew Jackson, born in a log cabin, was the heir of a respectable Scots-Irish family, and had made his

### The Da Vinci Code,

Continued from page 12 A you busy for a month of Sundays.

In conclusion, the reader should keep in mind that *The Da Vinci Code* is a novel, nothing more, and in my opinion, a very good one. But as a historical novel, in my opinion, it is a very poor one. When one mingles fiction, myth and fact, I question if the father of the historical novel, Sir Walter Scott, would consider it a historical novel. As my very good friend, Betty Conley says concluding her emails, "Happy Trails" (3-8-2004).

way to eminence by his close association with influential circles in South Carolina, his native state, and Tennessee, where he settled as a young man. It makes no sense to talk

Jackson himself, mourning the recent death of his wife (the victim, he was sure, of campaign slanders) and beset by office-seekers, seemed little disposed to gratify expectation.

negotiation of a compromise. Whatever else may be said of Jackson's presidency, it was never for a moment dull.

Jackson enunciated and enacted a new theory of the

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of his early life in terms of aristocracy or democracy; everyone on the frontier shared the same values and wanted to get ahead in the same way. Jackson became a planter quite young, and though his financial position was shaky for most of his life he maintained his status as a gentleman lawyer, militia officer and politician quite easily. What was unique about him was his indomitable will and his military talent. He displayed both amply during his campaigns against the Creek Indians (when his great powers of endurance won him the nickname 'Old Hickory') and of course against the British. His military reputation made him an extremely valuable political property. Lots of people stood to gain if Jackson could be induced to run for the presidency, and still more if he could get elected. He was long reluctant "I am not fit to be President", but eventually his competitive spirit was aroused, and after a long struggle he won the White House, as we have seen.

He was welcomed to Washington by something like a carnival. Thousands of enthusiastic supporters crowded the streets on Inauguration Day and invaded the White House. Jackson had to retreat from the crush to a boarding house, and the only way the mob could be got out of the mansion was by putting out large tubs of punch for them on the lawn. The Jacksonians were convinced that a new day had dawned; their opponents feared that the destruction of society was at hand.

His Secretary of State, Martin Van Buren, on arriving in Washington, found him weary and melancholy. If Jackson was a volcano, he was apparently going to be a dormant one. But the old hero proved very easy to stir into eruption. It only needed someone to challenge his will. Did Congress propose to pay for a national road across the state of Kentucky? He vetoed it. Did the Senate refuse to confirm Van Buren's appointment as American minister to London? "By the Eternal", he said, "I'll smash them", and made Van Buren Vice-President. Did Nicholas Biddle, the President of the Second Bank of the United States, ally himself with Henry Clay? Jackson vetoed the bill to renew the Bank's charter, denouncing 'the Monster' as a conspiracy of the rich against the poor, and unconstitutional into the bargain. Was the King of the French withholding compensation due to US citizens because of incidents during the Napoleonic Wars? Jackson took the country to the brink of war to compel France to climb down. Did Chief Justice Marshall, speaking for the Supreme Court, try to put a stop to the process by which Indian tribes were being driven from their lands in Alabama, Mississippi and Georgia. The President defied him ("John Marshall has made his law, now let him enforce it"). Was South Carolina, led by Calhoun, trying to nullify the US tariff and threatening secession? Jackson would march at the head of an army into the state, and was only restrained from doing so by the swift

presidency: that, as the electoral college was little more than a fiction, and the real choice was made by ordinary voters (universal white male suffrage was by then more or less the rule) the President, more than any other organ of government, represented the whole people, and spoke for them. In effect he claimed for the presidency the first place in American government, and popular support made the claim good. It has never been forgotten since, even during eras of weak Presidents. But paradoxically, Jackson, while strengthening the presidency within the federal government, weakened the federal government within the nation. He was a better Jeffersonian than Jefferson, genuinely believing that Washington should interfere as little as possible in the lives of the people, whose state governments were their truest representatives. Not for him the 'American Programme' of a Henry Clay or John Quincy Adams. In this respect Jackson was a true son of the South. But unlike many Southerners he was an unqualified supporter of the Union. One of the most dramatic incidents of his presidency was the Jefferson Day banquet in Washington, which Calhoun wanted to turn into a demonstration in favour of states' rights, but which Jackson, present as the guest of honour, turned into a demonstration of a very different kind by the simple device of proposing the toast "Our Federal Union; It Must Be Preserved".

Continued next time

### Old Spanish Trail becomes National Historic Trail!

The long-awaited goal of getting Federal recognition for the Old Spanish Trail (OST) became a reality last December when President George W. Bush signed into law the Old Spanish Trail Recognition Act of 2002. This marks ten years of effort by the Old Spanish Trail Association and other groups and individuals. The group had help from legislators from Colorado, New Mexico, California, Arizona, Utah and Nevada as well.

According to Joseph P. Sanchez, Ph.D., "The origins of the Old Spanish Trail are obscure, except that it first came into historical limelight when Yuta guides led Spanish colonial frontiersmen in New Mexico northwest from Santa Fe beyond Abiquiu through the Utah canyon lands to present Utah Lake near the great Salt Lake.

Only then did the Yuta country become part of the Spanish claim to New Mexico. The land, with its many rivers, valleys, ridges and mountains, became a geographic stage for the Hispanic quest for trade in the Great Basin and a route from New Mexico to California."

Sanchez is Director of the Spanish Colonial Research Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico and an honorary member of GSHA-SC.

Next a selection, by the United States Department of the Interior, of who will manage the Old Spanish National Historic Trail.

### Anson County, NC newspapers abstracted

A book has been compiled concerning the old newspapers of Anson County, North Carolina. The title is Abstracts of Notices Found in the Anson County, North Carolina Argus 1848-1858 and concerns such notices as marriages, deaths, murders, court proceedings, runaway wives, divorces and much more. There are 64 pages plus a 16 page index all contained in a three-ring binder. The cost is \$25 including postage and handling. Order from Steve Bailey, 300 Moores Lake Road, Wadesboro, NC 28170.





## Here're some hints for better use of "Google"...

When you're using Google, you might want to know these few facts: The word "site" followed by a colon lets you restrict your search to a specific site. To do this, use the syntax *site:sampledomain.com* in Google's search field. Be sure to put a space between your search term and the word "site." For example, *genealogy:site:hawaii.rr.com* brings up every page on Hawai'i Road Runner that contains the word "genealogy." If you want to use a two or three-word phrase as your search term, put it in double quotation marks: "*acadian families*" *site:sympatico.ca* You can learn more about Google searches at <[www.google.com/help/refinerearch.html](http://www.google.com/help/refinerearch.html)>

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## The Tartan Apple gives history of Scots in New York City

A 60-minute digital video by Harlan Douglas Whatley, *The Tartan Apple: the Scots in New York City* tells the under examined story of the people who emigrated from Scotland to New York City from the 17<sup>th</sup> century to the present. The story is told chronologically, beginning with Captain William Kidd, who is stereotyped as a pirate more so than a successful privateer.

Thousands of Scots put their lives on the line to leave their precious homeland for a better life. Many were forced to leave as their wealthy landlords, who often shared the same surname, determined that sheep were worth more than people. Others arrived as indentured servants or mercenaries.

Three signers of the Declaration of Independence were members of New York's oldest charity, the Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York. Men of Scottish descent founded early New York City newspapers such as *The New York Post* and the *Herald Tribune*.

In the civil War, the 79<sup>th</sup> NYSVM "Highlanders" served New York City and the Union proud. The regiment was comprised of members of the New York Caledonian Club.

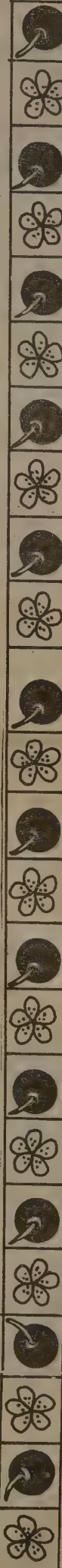
Andrew Carnegie was an active businessman and philanthropist in New York City. Baseball legend Bobby Thomson, born in Glasgow, hit his "shot heard round the world," as a New York Giant.

Scottish country dancing groups can be found all throughout the city, as well as Scottish football supporters.

Tartan Day is celebrated on April 6<sup>th</sup> in Central Park and November 30<sup>th</sup> is St. Andrew's Day.

The Tartan Apple intercuts dramatic re-creation scenes of the American Revolution and the American Civil War with narration, interviews and archival material.

For more information, please contact Harlan Douglas Whatley, 192 East 75th Street, New York, NY 10021; telephone 212-737-8004; or visit [www.skyefilms.com](http://www.skyefilms.com).





# Coming

Several historical events are planned for the Rochester, Indiana area



**April 24-25:** The 14th annual Redbud Trail Rendezvous, on the Fulton County Historical Society grounds 4 miles north of Rochester on US 31 and Tippecanoe River. Fulton County Museum and Round Barn Museum at north end of grounds. Rendezvous on river bank portrays frontier history with tepees and historic tents and camps, foods cooked over wood fires, music and dance on Chippeway Village stage, village has 40 wooden booths, muzzle loading shoots, traditional crafts, blanket trading. Festival named for redbud trees that bloom by the river. No motorized or battery

operated golf carts allowed in festival area. Handicapped accessible. Open 10 AM to 5 PM. Admission charged, free for age 5 and under. Contact Fulton County Historical Society, 37 East 375 North, Rochester, Indiana 46975, phone 574-223-4436. Museum open year around Monday - Saturday, 9 AM to 5 PM.

**June 10-12:** The 34th annual Round Barn Festival, Rochester, Indiana, on Main Street. Several blocks of big tents with arts and crafts, foods, dances, free entertainment, fun adult and kiddie contests, athletic events, golf contest, parade Friday evening.

Bus tours of round barns, restored Prill one-room school, Fulton County Museum and Round Barn Museum. Fly-in breakfast at airport Saturday. Contact Chamber of Commerce, 822 Main Street, Rochester, Indiana 46975, phone 574-224-2666.

**June 18-20:** Fulton County Historical Power Show, Rochester, Indiana; held on Fulton county Historical Society grounds. Open 9 AM to 8 PM Friday and Saturday, 9 AM to 2 PM Sunday. Power show will include antique tractors, garden tractors, hit-n-miss engines, equipment and antique trucks. Hosting the Vintage Garden Tractor Club of America. Vendors of swap parts, crafts, food, etc. available. Contests for exhibitors called Antique Tractor Olympics and John Henry contest. Sponsored by the Fulton County Historical Power Association and the Fulton County Historical Society. Museums will be open. Free parking. Admission charged, children 11 and under free. Contact Fulton County Historical Power Association, c/o Fulton County Historical Society (see address above).

**September 18-19:** The 29th annual Trail of Courage Living History Festival, Rochester, Indiana, on the Fulton County Historical Society grounds. Festival on south end of grounds on river bank. Historic encampments include French and Indian War, Voyageurs, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Western Fur trade, Plains Indian tepees, Woodland Indian wigwams. Muzzle loading shooting and tomahawk throwing contests. Historic canoe landing and fur trade skit, canoe rides. See Chippeway village and programs on two stages. Special honored Potawatomi family with ancestors on the 1838 Trail of Death. Friday is School Tour Day, not open to general public. Free tram rides from museums and free parking lot to festival. Handicapped facilities. Open 10 AM to 5 PM. Admission charged, free for age 5 and under.

## Evelyn Murray & John Cope Abbot are awarded first ever TECA Tartan Assistant certificates

Congratulations to Evelyn Murray and John Cope Abbott! They are the first in the world to earn the title "Tartan Assistant."

Evelyn and John took the examination in the Boston area and were recognized at the annual general meeting in Atlanta last October. With the title go two copies of a certificate, one for home and one for display at the "Tartan Information Ten." Evelyn and John also may insert the letters TA after their surnames and before the FSA Scot to which they are also both entitled.

There is a \$15 fee for the examination. Applicants must be members of the Internal Association of Tartan Studies and Tartan Educational and Cultural Association, Inc., but the membership fee can be paid at the time of the examination.

Persons interested in taking the examination for Tartan Assistant (TA), Tartan Associate (TAS), or Tartan Specialist (TS) can get details from Dr. Philip Smith, Director of Tartan Studies.

Thanks to *The Tartan Banner*, IATS/TECA, Dr. Philip Smith, Editor, 442 Freedom Blvd., Coatesville, PA 19320.



## Nicholson Nose Contest, Continued from page 10 A

character and nobility. So there... the gauntlet has been issued."

A challenge is therefore levied to all clan members. Please submit one of two recent photographs of your probois to Murray Nicolson for consideration.

Criteria for the competition will include, but are not limited to, general size, location, shape, profile, proportion, healthy color and sense of grace and charm.

A panel of judges has been formed from clan members including: John MacNeacail of MacNeacail and Scorrybreac (Chairman); Jenni Nicolson,

beauty consultant; Dr. Brenda Pritchard, medical consultant; John Gillis, Esq., legal consultant; and Jan Nicolson, immediate past winner.

The panel will meet to make their final decision at the International Clan Gathering on the Isle of Skye, Scotland during October 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004. The lucky winner can elect to take the trophy back with them (if they are present and have enough baggage allowance) or to leave it suitably inscribed on the Isle of Skye until the next gathering in four years time. If the winner is not present, the trophy could be delivered to them by cargo ship and mule train.

Rules:

\* No substitutions; noses

must be the genuine property of the entrant. A noserised affidavit is desirable but not essential.

\* Noses must not be artificially enhanced by implants or plastic surgery.

\* Neither may they be enhanced by fisticuffs or other sporting or domestic injuries.

\* Neither may they be enhanced by self-inflicted processes like walking into a door.

\* Noses must be fully functional for normal nasal activities.

\* Bribery of the judges is not allowed (although no doubt

they all have their price!).

\* Owner must be a member of Clan Nicholson.

If you want to have a sniff at winning the trophy, don't blow your chances or sneeze at this opportunity! Please submit your photographs and any supporting statement you may wish to make as to why you are the most worthy winner to:

(Before June 1, 2004)

Murray Nicolson, 226 Peter Spring Road, Concord, Massachusetts 01742-1945).

(After June 1 and before October 1, 2004) Murray Nicolson, Piccadilly Cottage, Kington, Herefordshire HR5 3HP, England.

Source: *Scorrybreac*, The Journal of Clan MacNicol in North America, Editor Murray Nicolson (see above addresses).

## Can you answer Presidential questions?

Penelope Engard, the speaker at the February 3, 2004 meeting of the Hemet-San Jacinto Genealogical Society in Hemet, California, presented a great program about *The Forgotten Presidents!* She began with a thought provoking Presidential quiz - can you answer the questions?

Name the president that fits the following facts:

1. A president assassinated other than Lincoln?
2. Grandson of a former president?
3. Authorized the Gadsden Purchase?
4. Only president to resign?
5. Youngest pilot in WWII?
6. Never elected president or vice-president?
7. First president born a US citizen?
8. First president to win Nobel Peace Prize?
9. Refused to accept his salary?
10. Father of the sixth president?
11. Never legally married to his wife?
12. Died in prison at Fort Comfort?
13. Wrote the Declaration of Independence?
14. Memories written with help of Mark Twain?
15. Once owned professional baseball team?
16. Son of Ambassador to Court of King James?
17. Known as Father of the Constitution?
18. Original "Rough & Ready" president?
19. Commissioned in the Army the same year *The Lusitania* sank?

20. Represented the US at the Teheran conference?

Source: *Past Finder*, Hemet-San Jacinto Genealogical Society, PO Box 2516, Hemet California 92546.

Answers to Presidents quiz: 1. Kennedy and Garfield 2. Benjamin Harrison 3. Franklin Pierce 4. Richard Nixon 5. George Bush Sr., (41) 6. Gerald Ford 7. Martin Van Buren 8. Woodrow Wilson 9. Herbert Hoover 10. John Adams 11. Andrew Jackson 12. Jefferson Davis 13. Thomas Jefferson 14. U. S. Grant 15. George Bush, Jr. (43) 16. John F. Kennedy 17. James Madison 18. Zachary Taylor 19. Eisenhower 20. Franklin D. Roosevelt



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## ----- Glamorgan Family? ----- How about an Ulster-Scots leaflet?

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Contact Membership Secretary, Mrs. S. Mackay, 11 Cherrydown Close, Thornhill, Cardiff CF4 9DT, Wales, UK. The address for the County Record Office (CRO) is: Glamorgan Record Office, The Glamorgan Bldg., King Edward VII Avenue, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NE, Wales, UK. Tel: 01222 780282

Contact the West Glamorgan Archive Service (WGAS) County Hall, Oystermouth Rd., Swansea, Wales, UK SA1 3SN. Call: 01792 636589

The collections Held at Glamorgan include: QUAK-

ERS. The County Records Office (CRO) has a collection of records from the Religious Society of Friends in Wales, dating back to the 1600s. Part of this collection, The Quaker Digest registers for Wales,

Worcestershire and Herefordshire, 1635-1838, has been microfilmed and is available in both County Records Offices, (CROs).

### MARITIME RECORDS.

Crew agreements for voyages of Cardiff-registered ships 1862-1913 can be found at Glamorgan RP; similar crew agreements for Port Talbot and Swansea-registered ships can be found at the West Glamorgan Archives Service (WGAS). Arranged yearly under the register-number and name of the vessel and indexes are available both to ships' names and masters'. Ordinary crew members are not indexed and are identifiable only if you know the name of the ship and date of voyage.

BRITISH MERCHANT RECORDS. Records of seamen in British Merchant Service are kept by the PRO (Ruskin Avenue, KEW, P.O. Box 165, Cardiff CF4 5FU.)

### A few Ulster-Scots in America leaflets are available through The Family Tree

We are fortunate to have five (only 5) sets of a series of leaflets discussing the influence of the Ulster-Scots on America and its people. Some of the titles of the leaflets are *Voyage to the New World, Ulster-Scots & the Declaration of Independence, Ulster-Scots & United States Presidents, and How the Ulster-Scots Influenced Music in America*. These packets are available to the first five (only 5) people who write in and request a packet. Please include a check for \$1.50 for the postage and handling.

## News flash from Mars!

MARS. Our Solar System. April 1, 2004: The latest technology from Earth to land on Mars is sending back startling new photos.

Scientists in Texas believe that the current alignment of the five planets - Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn may have contributed to the obsessive behavior of the two species in the first ever photo shown here.

While experts are still trying to decipher the meaning of the photo it appears that the humanoid is trying to recruit the inhabitants of Mars into his Scottish Clan organization. While friends say this is normal behavior for Royce Perry, Texas Commissioner for Clan Gunn, and that this man can find Gunn roots in just about any family tree, he is harmless. Scientists would like to talk with him. Calls to his residence have not been returned.



April Fool!

## The best chance you'll ever have to check out Irish roots is coming to Jacksonville, Florida

On Monday, May 10, 2004, Dr. Brian Trainor, research director, and Finton Mullan, executive director of the Ulster Historical Foundation of Belfast, Northern Ireland will conduct an all day seminar/workshop at the Holiday Inn Baymeadows and I-95 (Exit 341), Jacksonville Florida 32256. Anyone with Irish or Scotch-Irish ancestors won't want to miss this unprecedented opportunity to research Irish records. The speakers bring their public record office computerized data bases of vital and virtual records with them and project them on the seminar screen.

This day-long event will be squeezed into their USA lecture tour to coincide with three performances (May 14 and 15) at Jacksonville's brand new Veterans Memorial Arena of an extravaganza called *On Eagle's Wing*, a celebration in music, dance or oratory of Ireland and Scotland's historical ties to America.

The seminar/workshop requires an intimate setup where everyone can see the screen and take notes. A hot served lunch with choice of entrees is included in the price. The fee of \$40 covers all the May 10th events, lunch and materials. Paid reservations received by March 31st pay \$35.

For more information and a registration form, email [maremcnair@msn.com](mailto:maremcnair@msn.com), phone 904-996-0056 or 904-610-7570, or fax Marianne H. McNair at 904-996-0109.

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## Florida State Genealogical Society sets conference for November

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To request full information and registration forms, contact Ann Staley, State Conference Chairman, PO Box 441364, Jacksonville, FL 3222. You may email [astaley@comcast.net](mailto:astaley@comcast.net)



## Scottish Lowlanders & Ulster-Scots

Scotland's Lowlanders' heritage is made up of several different races including an Irish Celtic tribe (the Scots) who invaded the Lowland areas in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> centuries and established colonies there.

Much later the Lowlands was the area separating England from the Highlands. In the skirmishes and wars between the latter two the Lowlands were continual battlefields, and suffered total destruction of their farms and other lands many times by both sides (the Highlanders to prevent the English from having supplies to aid in their advance, and the English in revenge). They also added to their own land destruction through the planting of the same crop continually, thus stripping the lands of the nutrients required and causing crop yields to diminish or become non-existent. Thus the life of a Lowlander was unstable and eventually untenable.

The people of the Lowlands were mostly strong Presbyterian, and, in the reign of the Catholic James 1st (James the 6th of Scotland) were persecuted by the Crown of England.

When James decided to set up his plantation of Ulster (he had already successfully set up the Jamestown Plantation in 1607 in the colonies) he meant for Englishmen to settle there in addition to some of his Scottish supporters.

James also saw it as a place to send 'pesky' Scottish

border families to quiet the border between Scotland and England.

The English did not do as well as the Scots on the Ulster Plantation. Their lands at 'home' were more profitable, and many of them returned to

There is a new organization for those of Ulster-Scots heritage. It is: The Ulster-Scots Society of America, 105 Arrowhead Way, Cary, NC, 27513. Call (919) 380-0383 or e-mail - [ulstermen@yahoo.com](mailto:ulstermen@yahoo.com)

England. Since it was only a 30 mile trip from Scotland to Northern Ireland thousands of Lowland Scots migrated to the Ulster Plantation, bringing with them their Presbyterian religion and their very strong feelings of independence from England.

Hugh Montgomery and James Hamilton, who had been given land in the Ulster Plantation by James, were instrumental in assisting many Scots in the Ayrshire and Galloway regions to leave their homes and obtain land in the Plantation.

This was surely not what James had had in mind.

The areas of Antrim (which had already been settled by Scots since the 1400's) and County Down became inhabited almost totally by Scots. At this time Highlanders were totally banned from the Plantation. The Scots prospered here with agriculture, the raising of animals, and growing flax for linen production.

The language spoken was Ulster-Scots. At one time this was the main language spoken in Belfast. Now the language is spoken only in some rural

areas. Some of the words and phrases here in the U.S. are said to have originated from Scots Ulster. The most intriguing one I've seen was a reference to y'all owing its existence to the Scots Ulster word 'yis aa' (meaning you all).

There are also words that we associate with Scotland as Scottish words, (such as nicht - night) which are really Scots-Ulster in origin. In 1641 the

Irish rebelled against these 'invaders' of their lands and in surprise attacks killed many Ulster Scots in an effort to rout them from their lands.

The war lasted 8 years and at its end the Scots were still in Ulster. (However the skirmishes continue to this day between Northern Ireland - Ulster, and the Irish Republic).

In the 1800s the Highland Clearances created another migration to Ulster. Though these were in the main, Highlanders, the population still remained Lowland ancestry. Though the American term given to these people is Scotch-Irish, these people did not and still do not consider themselves Irish. It is said that if you live in Northern Ireland and you are protestant, that your ancestry began in the Lowlands of Scotland - or (if you will reread the first paragraph of this article) did it? Perhaps the people in Ulster have simply come full circle?

### Lt. Col. Roy A. Pool wins the cricket bat!

Congratulations to Lt. Col. Roy A. Poole, Retired, from Arvada, Colorado, who was the winner of the beautiful cricket bat drawing held during the recent Scottish Week-end 2004.

His winning ticket number was 0325. The bat was mailed to him in one of the longest boxes the UPS Store could find!

Thank you to Dick and Chris Lucas for the gift of the cricket bat.



### Family stories are a remembrance of your ancestors...save them!

Did you ever think a story your grandfather may have told you years ago might be interesting to your children? Or your grandchildren? Many of them may not have known your grandfather and his stories might have an interest to them as they get older.

For example, in my own family, when I was about seven years of age, I remember my grandfather was a member of the Odd Fellows Hall. He had the responsibility of preparing for the initiation of the new members of that organization.

One year, I remember grandfather invited me into his back bedroom and there I saw a replication of an old Billy goat which had a saddle on it. This goat was on wheels and grandfather would pull it around the room. Unbeknownst to me, grandfather had rigged up fine electrical wires throughout the fur of the goat. He invited me to sit on the goat for a ride, and at some unexpected time, grandfather would sneak up behind me, lift the goat's tail, and screw in a fuse. This activated the electrical pulse which came from batteries stored under the goat. I jumped around on the back of the goat for several seconds until I was able to jump off of it. Grandfather found this quite amusing.

He then related to me the story of the fat man who crawled up on the goat for initiation into the Odd Fellows, and how he was so much overweight that when the surprising moment came with the electrical shock, he could not crawl off. He eventually let nature take its course. Grandfather would laugh and laugh when he told me that story.

Now my grandfather has been gone for over fifty years, and my grandchildren sit and

listen to the story of their great-grandfather and his old goat.

Several years ago, my grandfather McLaughlin answered my question when I asked him why he had the shape of a horseshoe on his bald head. He told me when he was a boy helping his father load cut wood onto a wagon that he had an accident. It seems the horse which was pulling the wagon was standing swatting flies with his tail, and suddenly stepped forward, pulling the wagon with him and tripping my grandfather who was standing in the wagon. He fell off onto the ground. Great grandfather McLaughlin was able to get the horse to stop, but in the process, the horse stepped backward and stepped on my grandfather's head, cutting him seriously with the horseshoe. Grandfather said he had pains in his forehead for years after the incident. I have told that story many times to my children, and now, I hear the same story being told to my grandchildren.

Stories like these are loved by children and adults as well. Why not take the time to sit and write some of the stories you remember about your grandfather or grandmother. They will come "alive" to your children or grandchildren as they listen to stories of their ancestors whom you knew. Why not tell them stories about things you remember as a child, too? And then, why not write the stories in a journal and bind them together and give them to your children or grandchildren as a gift? What a great present for them!

Our appreciation for this article goes to *The Roebuck*, a publication of Clan MacLachlan Association of North America, Inc., 1475 Beringer Drive, San Jacinto, CA 92583.

### Attention all Acadians!

The World Reunion of the Acadians will be held August 2004 in Nova Scotia.

Acadians are French colonists of Acadia who were forcibly removed and dispersed around the world by the British, beginning in 1755. Family names include: Bernard, Blanchard, Herbert, Martin, Cormier, Richard, Vincent and

many many more.

For more information, write to Marielle Bourgeois, the

founder of the French/European Ancestor Group, at PO Box 31172, Santa Barbara,

California 93130. Her web page is <<http://searchancestors.com>>.





## A hankering for haggis:

Lewisville, Texas man builds a business on traditional Scottish food

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Nicole Bywater, Reporter

A Lewisville resident and true American Southerner, Jim Walters, is one of the last people most would guess to be behind the manufacturing of a food known as the national food of Scotland - haggis.

Despite the food's bad reputation - which comes from the traditional method to making haggis by stuffing a sheep's stomach with oatmeal, onions, fat and chopped-up parts of the sheep that most of us would rather see thrown away - Walters got hooked on the stuff. He was traveling with his wife in Scotland in 1989 to trace their Scottish and Irish heritage and ended up enjoying the sausage-like dish at many of the bed-and-breakfasts they stayed at.

"Only dying was a worse reputation than haggis," Walters said. "It wasn't at all what we expected. We really liked it and thought other people would too."

After their return home, the couple went to the Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games in Arlington, expecting to be able to enjoy some native foods such as haggis. Instead, they found more traditional American foods.

"I was complaining and said 'I didn't go there to eat nachos and hot dogs,'" Walters said.

Strict regulations based on mad-cow disease fears made it hard to import haggis from its native country. So, the wheels started turning and Walters went to work to create haggis that Americans would enjoy. He started cooking up batches in his kitchen, using U.S. Department of Agriculture-rated sirloin beef instead of the traditional mutton, plus liver, onions, spices and oats. He created the company Caledonian Kitchen.

Walters said he's a good cook, a skill he picked up while in the Army. Luckily, he had an authentic tasting panel to try his recipes out on thanks to a native Scottish woman, with whom Walters worked, and

her friends.

"One morning, she said, 'I hope you wrote it down, because I think you've got it,'" Walters said.

This weekend, he'll be hawking his favorite food, by the plate or in cans, at the North Texas Irish Festival. The annual event will be at Fair Park in Dallas and it is the largest Celtic festival in the southwest.

He began cooking up batches of haggis at the annual Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games in Arlington and ignored people's requests for him to can the product.

"It was more like a de-ranked hobby at that time and I wasn't interested in doing more," Walters said. "Then about three years ago, I started getting serious and realized that any cannery that cans chili can can haggis."

After discovering there weren't any "mom-and-pop" chili canneries in Texas, Walters came across "Taylor's Famous Mexican Chili," a 99-year-old family business in southern Illinois. His first year of production was in 2001 - with 7,500 cans.

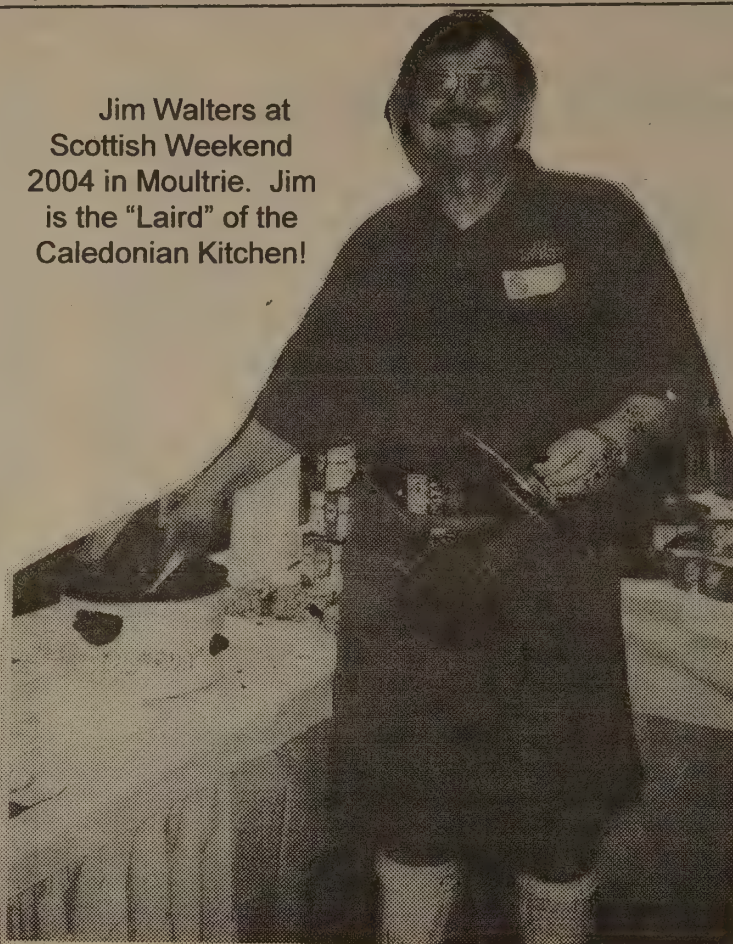
He's since outgrown that small operation and moved production a few weeks ago to southern Ohio. Walters also discovered that in the surrounding agricultural community are two people who raise Scottish Highland cattle, a breed that's been dated back to historical Scotland.

His web site, <caledoniankitchen.com>, received about 9,000 separate visitors last month, Walters said. Orders for his haggis is sent as far away as Korea and to all over Canada and the United States.

Caledonian Kitchen Haggis was the only American haggis invited to compete against the legends of Scottish haggis-making in *Scotland Magazine's* 2003 Haggis Tasting in St. Andrews, Scotland. They were honored with fifth place, Walters said.

A 29-year employee of the

Jim Walters at Scottish Weekend 2004 in Moultrie. Jim is the "Laird" of the Caledonian Kitchen!



national office of the Boy Scouts, Walters, 56, retired two months ago and has more time to devote to the business. Walters, a self-declared "history buff," was a Civil War reenactor before the business began to keep him busier.

Walters grew up in Alabama and lived in Louisiana before moving to Lewisville in 1986. He is a lover of all things Scottish, from the food to the music to the history, and is a member of several associations dedicated to the spreading of the Scottish culture. In September, he'll be part of a Scottish-themed cruise called *Kilts in the Wind*.

But his most important job now that he's got the time and the inventory is sharing haggis at more and more Scottish festivals.

tivals.

"Way back when, it was made with leftover parts and was poor people's food," Walters said. "Everyone's fixated on the sheep's stomach, but all that was is a cooking vessel."

Other future plans for the "Laird" (lord) of the Caledonian Kitchen include several varieties of haggis, including lamb, venison and vegetarian. He even half-jokes about making "rustic haggis" with sheep's tongue and all sorts of horrible stuff just to test people and have fun with.

Besides on the company's web site, Caledonian Kitchen haggis (the normal beefy kind, nothing rustic) can be found locally at the British Emporium in Grapevine, Texas.

## Gaelic Song and Language Week is set for July at GMHG

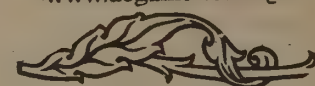
This year's Grandfather Mountain Gaelic Song and Language Week, sponsored by An Comunn Gaidhealach, America, (The Gaelic Society, America) will run from July 4th through the 9th in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina at Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk.

Gaelic song classes covering a range of traditional forms will be offered, including waulking or milling songs and mouth music. Scottish Gaelic language classes for beginner, intermediate, and advanced speakers will also be offered. Teachers this year will be donnie Murdo MacLeod from Stornoway in the Isle of Lewis, Scotland; and Jamie Macdonald, a native of North Carolina and now a member of the faculty at St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia.

A special treat this year will also be the teaching of Gaelic Psalm singing by one of Scotland's most talented precentors (a person who lines out the psalms for the congregation) by Donnie Murdo MacLeod.

Additional activities include evening ceilidhs, Gaelic videos, a silent auction, and hikes in the beautiful surrounding mountains. A Gaelic Mòd, or singing competition, will be held on the Saturday following the workshop at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Participants in the Gaelic Song Week are urged to stay for the Highland games and compete in the mòd.

For more information, contact Cam MacRae at <acmacr2@uky.edu> or Jamie MacDonald at <jrmacdon@stfx.ca>. You can also visit website <www.acgamerica.org>



## Looking for Scottish weekend information

Rose Ward is looking for information on Scottish weekends in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania or Rockland County, New York.

She wants details on how to attend and what it is about. Contact Rose Ward, 3 Gandy Lane, New York City, New York 10956.

## Electronic volunteers wanted

Dr. Gordon Barclay, Society of Antiquaries of Scotland's *Proceedings* Editor, is taking forward the next stage of the acclaimed scanning project - the task of putting the electronic *Proceedings* onto sets of CDs.

Volunteers are needed to check through the online *Proceedings* for omissions and other errors. Even if you can only undertake to cover a limited number of volumes, it would still be of great help.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Gordon by e-mail on <proceedingseditor@socantscot.org>.





# Ulster Roots....



Richard K. McMaster



## "Flaxseed and Emigrants"

The contribution of the Scotch-Irish to the settlement and growth of the United States and Canada is well known. The heavy emigration from Ulster in the eighteenth century also had a positive impact at home. As Irish historian L. M. Cullen noted the real, if temporary, decline of Belfast and other Ulster ports from the late seventeenth century on "halted only when novel traffics - flaxseed and emigrants - gave it a new dynamism in the 1730s."

The Navigation Acts passed by the English Parliament in the 1660s to protect English commerce from the competition of the Dutch and others placed limits on the trade of the American Colonies, as we know, but these laws hit even harder at Irish trade.

Only provisions of food and indentured servants could be legally shipped to the Colonies from an Irish port. All of the products of the Colonies, such as sugar and tobacco, had to be landed in an English port before they could be sent to the merchant in Ireland who had ordered them. Goods from Ireland, with few exceptions, could not even be sent to England. They could only supply domestic markets in Ireland. Irish woolen cloth was a particular target, because it competed directly with English woollens.

The English Parliament had no intention of impoverishing Ireland; they were simply responding to special interests at home. The wealthy landowners in the Irish Parliament reminded them that they were being impoverished. Both the Parliament in London and the Dublin Parliament wanted to find a way out. They found it by encouraging the Irish linen industry, since linen spun and woven in Ulster did not compete with English-made cloth. When in 1696 the British government removed the tax on Irish lin-

ens shipped to England, many English dealers began to buy Ulster cloth because it was cheaper than Dutch and German linens. This growing market greatly stimulated linen weaving across the Irish Sea.

From the first, linen-making concentrated in the three eastern counties of present Northern Ireland, Antrim, Down, and Armagh, although the government-sponsored Linen Board subsidized efforts to establish flax-growing and linen-making in every Irish county. The Linen Board imported flaxseed from the Baltic and gave it away to anyone who would agree to plant a minimum amount. Importing seed was necessary because the flax had to be pulled up by the roots before it went to seed. This was the first step in the process of transforming the fibers in the flax stalk into linen cloth.

It was only in 1705 with passage of the Linen Act that British policy reversed and opened the colonial market to linens sent directly from Ireland.<sup>3</sup> This ushered in a new opportunity for trade with the American Colonies and a new beginning for Belfast and other Ulster ports. British historian Jean Agnew concluded that "the lifting of restrictions on the direct export of linen to the colonies contributed to the development of Belfast as a major international port, and for the Belfast merchants it meant that they were on the threshold of a new era in which they had a high quality non-perishable product for which there was a steady demand."

Commerce with America transformed the Ulster ports of Belfast, Londonderry, Newry and the province generally. It began with large-scale emigration from Ulster to the American Colonies and the need for ships to sail frequently between Ireland and Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Charleston with passengers and those too

poor to pay their passage who went as indentured servants.

The first wave of emigration from Ulster to America was in full swing by 1717-1718. The demand for shipping was greater than the few vessels that normally sailed from Ireland to the Colonies. The first wave of emigration may have taken merchants and shipowners by surprise and families sailing to New England had to make do with whatever was available. The ships that carried passengers to Boston were small, even by 1718 standards. The *Maccalum* of 70 tons brought 100 passengers from Londonderry as did the *Mary and Elizabeth* of only 45 tons. The *William and Mary* which carried the McGregor party from Coleraine displaced just 30 tons. They were not ships one would select for a long voyage, given a choice.

Ten years later demand for ships to America was even greater. Robert Gamble, a merchant in Londonderry, wrote in July 1729 that "There is gone and to go this Summer from this Port Twenty-five Sail of Ships, who carry each, from One Hundred and twenty, to One hundred and forty Passengers to America; there are many more going from Belfast, and the Ports near Colrain, besides great Numbers from Dublin, Newry, and round the Coast."

Dublin papers advertised at least a dozen ships for Philadelphia in the summer of 1729. Because ships that took passengers to the New World could not always find a return freight, not many Londonderry or Belfast merchants had ships in the transatlantic trade. Some tragedies occurred because emigrants had to sail in vessels that were too small to carry adequate provisions or with inexperienced captains. A writer in the *Pennsylvania Gazette* observed that "the People, earnest to be gone, being oblig'd to take up with

any Vessel that will go; and 'tis like frequently with such as have before been only Coasters, because they cannot always get those that have been

it out. Merchants in Belfast and Londonderry ordered ships built for them in New England and Pennsylvania for this trade. Flaxseed became a major



us'd to long Voyages, or to come to these Parts of the World."

The passenger trade encouraged shipowners to send products to the American market. Emigrant ships often brought linen and provisions, salted beef, butter, potatoes, and salmon as well. Some emigrants carried bundles of white and unbleached brown linen with them to sell in their new home and ship's captains and supercargoes, agents of the shipowners, followed suit. Irish linen had already found a ready market in the Colonies, but it was normally shipped from English ports in English vessels.

This changed with the importation of flaxseed from America. Irish flax growers depended on seed imported from Holland and the Baltic, a practice encouraged by a bounty paid to importers. In 1731 the British Parliament opened Irish ports to colonial produce, except for sugar, tobacco and other "enumerated articles," and two years later the Flaxseed Bounty Act was amended to include American flaxseed. The convergence of these forces changed Ulster commerce and required Scotch-Irish merchants in the major American ports to carry

export from Philadelphia and New York, and somewhat later, Baltimore. As early as 1736 there are newspaper references to "the flaxseed ships."

The flaxseed ships normally sailed between November and February to arrive in time for spring planting. They also carried flour, wheat, barrel staves, pig iron and other products consigned to Ulster firms. The same ships returned, mainly to New Castle, Delaware, and Philadelphia, with Ulster emigrants, Irish linen and other goods, arriving in the summer and early fall. Shipowners tried to fit in shorter voyages either to a European port from Belfast or Derry or to the West Indies or one of the Southern Colonies from Philadelphia. In the 1760s and early 1770s, for instance, some flaxseed ships carried passengers to Charleston and took on a cargo of rice for Philadelphia.

This transatlantic trade transformed Londonderry and Belfast from provincial backwaters into important commercial centers. The pattern of this trade also directed the flow of emigrants. Although some of the best flaxseed was grown in southern New En-

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**Beth honored by  
SHSSEG**

*Family Tree* editor, Beth Gay, was honored by The Scottish Heritage Society of Southeast Georgia with an Honorary Membership at their recent Burns Night dinner by the late Dr. R. Quinn Pugh, society president.

Beth was presented with a membership certificate and she and her husband, Mel, were guests at the event in Statesboro, Georgia.

Just received at *The Family Tree* offices in Moultrie is a most kind check donated to *The Family Tree* by the SHSSEG, in memory of Dr. Pugh, who died recently during surgery in Savannah, Georgia.

*Thank you so much for the honor of being a part of your most distinguished group.*

**Your editor honored  
by SAMS**

The Lt. Hugh McKay Post #7 of the Scottish-American Military Society, Lt., of Savannah, Georgia made *The Family Tree* editor, Beth Gay, an Honorary Member during the Scottish Weekend 2004 Saturday evening festivities. Gary Adams, Bill Davidson and George Murdoch - the Honor Guard for the weekend - presented Beth with a certificate, a medal and kind words and hugs.

*You made me cry then...and I cry now when I think of the honor you have bestowed. Thank you.*

**Are you a youngster and interested in  
piping or drumming?**

The Detroit, Michigan St. Andrew's Society Pipe Band is looking for young people interested in piping or drumming. The lessons are FREE. Do you have a son, daughter, nephew, niece, grandchild, godchild or student that you think may be interested?

If so, give Dave Martin a call at 734-464-0468 or e-mail him at <davemartin@standrewspipeband.com>.

From *The Highland Fling Newsletter*, 5940 Pontiac Trail, Orchard Lake, Michigan 48323.

**Your editor honored  
with March Forth  
award...**

Hal Thomson, Chairman of the Jan Pennington Gray Scholarship Foundation, presented *The Family Tree* editor, Beth Gay, with the groups' March Forth Award during the luncheon following the Kirkin' o' the Tartan on Sunday, February 15 during Scottish Weekend 2004.

The award was instituted by the Board of Directors of the Jan Pennington Gray Harp Scholarship Fund for persons who have Marched Forth and succeeded in establishing and preserving the proud Scottish heritage of music and tradition. They may not sing a note or play a song. However, their influence and determination should inspire others to love and respect their heritage. They have Marched Forth and this is the reason the tradition is honored and revered.

The actual award is a cast of Jan's hand. The original hand was molded and cast by Jan during her lifetime to represent strength and determination. The award is given in humble honor to symbolize faith, trust and untiring effort.

For complete information regarding the award, contact Jo Pennington, 703 Courtney Lane, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37415.

*Your editor is truly humbled by the kindness of the Jan Pennington Gray Foundation. I don't think I do anything special and am amazed to be honored in such a way. Thank you. You made me cry, too!*

**Canadian and USA  
MacLeods will gather  
in July 2004**

The North American Gathering of the Canadian and USA MacLeods will be held July 1-4, 2004 at the Sheraton Chicago Northwest in Arlington Heights, Illinois. John MacLeod of MacLeod, Dunvegan Castle, Isle of Skye, Scotland will be the guest of honor. The Gathering will celebrate Canada Day on July 1 and Independence Day.

For more information, contact Richard A. MacLeod, 990 Waverly Road, Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137 USA, telephone 630-858-8486 or email <twomacleods@yahoo.com>.

# Clan Campbell Society (NA) honors Campbell, Seale, Jackson at 2003 AGM

The Clan Campbell Society (North America) announced its annual awards for 2003 at their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual General Meeting in Charleston, SC.

**Clyde "Bill" Campbell Region 6 Commissioner (AL, AK, KY, LA, MS and TN)** of Sheffield, AL was awarded the President's Award for Distinguished Service for his over 25 years of service and leadership to the Clan Campbell Society North America.

Clyde Bill has been a State Commissioner, Region Commissioner, Trustee, Vice-President, President and Region 6 Commissioner again. Clyde Bill was responsible for expanding the Clan Campbell Society (USA) to the Clan Campbell Society (North America) to include our Campbell kinsmen to the north in Canada in the early 1990s.

While at the 2003 AGM, Clyde Bill was elected a Trustee to the Clan Campbell Education Foundation Board of Directors. "Clyde Bill embodies the very spirit of the Clan Campbell Society and the best of what it represents," said C.C.S.N.A. President Ed Cattell, Jr.

**Randy Seale of Daphne, AL** was selected as the Clan Campbell Society (North America) 2003 Clansman of the Year.

Randy is Deputy Commissioner for Alabama, a member of the Finance Committee and the Internet and Technology Committee. Randy was recognized for his work with Membership Information Services and Financial Management for the Clan Campbell Society (North America).

"Randy has truly revolutionized the distribution of data to our Officers, Trustees and Commissioners", said C.C.S.N.A. President Edward V. Cattell, Jr. "He invented new ways to assemble and analyze the information to make it more understandable and meaningful while pulling and pushing us

into the Information Technology Age."

"Most recently, Randy implemented Internet voting for the C.C.S.N.A. annual elections, which not only cut election costs in half, but increased the number of voters by 25%. Randy's work makes our Society's mission of service to our members possible." Mr. Cattell concluded.

**Ann Jackson, Region 4 Commissioner (NC, SC and GA)** of Archdale, NC was awarded the Vice President's Commissioner of the Year Award.

Ann has been a State Commissioner and Regional Commissioner. Ann was the first to become a life member of the Society in 2002. Upon appointment as Region 4 Commissioner she reorganized the region assuring a constant Scottish representation throughout the region.

Ann is a Dame in the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem, and is a tireless worker who along with her husband Junny founded the Triad Highland Games.

"Ann leads by example and has an infectious attitude which makes all who come in

contact with her want to work and excel at any given task," said C.C.S.N.A. Vice President, Walter J. Campbell. The Clan Campbell Society (North America) is both proud and honored to count these outstanding individuals as kinsmen. Ne Obliviscaris.

Information and membership applications for the Clan Campbell Society (North America) may be obtained from any C.C.S.N.A. Commissioner. Clan Campbell Society (North America) tents located at Highland Games or Celtic Festivals throughout North America, the Membership Chairwoman, 5349 West Point Av., Glendale, AZ 85308 or by going online at <www.ccsna.org>.

**Clan Tent Contest, Continued page 1A**

Highland Games, Stone Mountain Highland Games, Culloden Highland Games, Tallahassee Highland Games, The Heart of Tennessee Scottish & Irish Celebration, N. AL Highland Games & more!

Neatness, use of tartan and Clan identity, creativity in decorating, friendliness and helpfulness will all be noted and judged.

Watch *The Family Tree* and electricscotland.com for photographs and news of the winners!





## *Congratulations to Susan King! Kudos to Sephardic Genealogy... Canadian help and Norwegians in the Civil War!*

### News from JewishGen

The Museum of Jewish Heritage has acquired JewishGen and has engaged site founder, Susan King, as managing director of JewishGen. Two key JewishGen technicians, Warren Blatt and Michael Tobias, will join Ms. King as full time employees of the Museum. JewishGen has been the principal presence of Jewish genealogy on the Internet and run almost entirely by volunteers. The Museum, located in Lower Manhattan, New York City, focuses on remembrance and education, including genealogy. For details about the acquisition are at <<http://www.mjhnyc.org/new/index.htm>>.

Thanks to *Federation of Genealogical Societies*, PO Box 200940, Austin, TX 78720-0940.

### Jewish

#### Historical Society invites you to join

The Jewish Historical Society, a nonprofit organization, invites you to join them. They are pleased to be able to maintain the low membership fees, which have been in force for over a decade!

One benefit of membership to the Jewish Historical Society of Southern Arizona is a subscription to the Society's newsletter *CHRONICLE*.

For additional information, contact The Jewish Historical Society of Southern Arizona, PO Box 57482, Tucson, AZ 85732-7482.

Thanks to: *CHRONICLE*,

#### Sephardic Genealogy wins great award!

*Sephardic Genealogy* has won the Association of Jewish Libraries "Outstanding Reference Book" Award. This is the third book published by Avotaynu to win this award. The company has released 26 books on Jewish genealogy since it began publishing in 1991.

*Avotaynu Guide to Jewish Genealogy* will be published this summer. This comprehensive guide is being written by

more than 60 experts on Jewish genealogy and will consist of some 100 chapters. Visit <<http://www.avotaynu.com/books/guide.htm>> for more information.

#### Canadian records now available

The Canadian government has agreed after a 5 year court battle, to release the "1906 Census of Canada." This is a major breakthrough for genealogists as these records and all records subsequent to these had been sealed and were to be sealed forever.

Subsequent to the announcement of Ministers Rock and Copps regarding the immediate release of the 1906 Census of the Western Provinces, Ian Wilson - National Archivist, has announced that those records are now accessible on-line.

They can be viewed at: <[http://www.archives.ca/02/020153\\_e.html](http://www.archives.ca/02/020153_e.html)>, <[\[www.archives.ca/02/020153\\\_f.html\]\(http://www.archives.ca/02/020153\_f.html\)>.](http://</a></p>
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Thanks to the *Clan MacDuff Newsletter*.

#### Norwegians in the US Civil War?

Why would Norwegians fight in the Civil War?

Norwegian overpopulation forced many young men to emigrate, many to America. Some enlisted in hope that the enlistment bonus would enable them to purchase a farm and start a new life in America.

Jerry Rosholt, a historian at Vesterheim and former NBC News field producer, became interested in identifying such Norwegian soldiers. He has now published a book about 6,500 Norwegian immigrants he has identified who fought in the Civil War in the United States.

You can find details about the book at <[www.vesterheim.org](http://www.vesterheim.org)>.

### Clan Scott Society

Membership is invited from all descendants of the surname Scott; associated families Balwearie, Bucklew, Geddes, Harden, Laidlaw, and Langlands (however spelled); as well as those who trace their heritage to the Middle March of the Borders of Scotland.

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Cordially invites membership inquiries from Turnbull, Trumbull, Trimble and sept family Rule and any variation of the spelling of such surnames.

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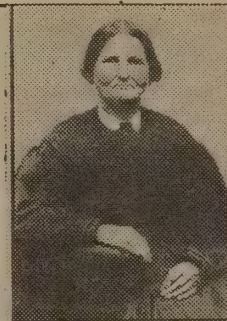
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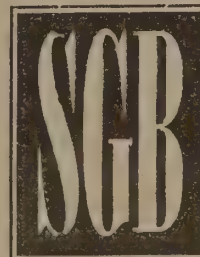
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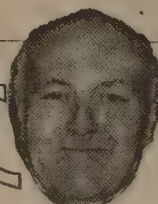
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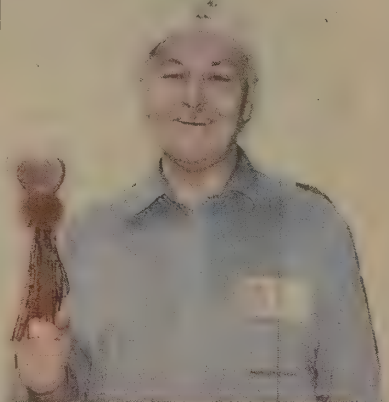
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## The Scots living on Prince Edward Island

I've had the good fortune to be able to stay for three weeks in Prince Edward Island on the east coast of Canada. According to the 2001 Canadian census 38% of the islands population is of Scots descent.

I was interesting in coming here as I'd just added the Earl of Selkirk's book to the site where he included an account of what is now known as the "Selkirk Settlement".

Spending time in the library at Summerside the librarian kindly found me a book



Alastair McIntyre in Moultrie Valentine's Day! (The heart blinks!)

*Past and Present* by MacKinnon which is an excellent account of the history of P.E.I.

In that book it said: "This year 1803 is a notable one in the history of Prince Edward Island, for that was the year when the *Polly*, the ship so famed in this province, cast

anchor in these waters, having brought a large number of passengers from Scotland, to settle on Lord Selkirk's estate.

About this time he brought in all some eight hundred people to Prince Edward Island. They were of the finest class of emigrants that ever left the shores of Great Britain. They settled in what is known by the general name of The Belfast District.

The descendants still occupy the land and homes which their forefathers occupied and made. They were an enterprising and energetic people, and transmitted their vigorous dispositions to their children and their children's children.

Descendants of the *Polly's* passengers have been distinguished in almost every walk of life. They are to be found in every part of Canada and the United States upholding the good name they inherited, and making their island home

known and respected where ever they may be. They have produced many men who have distinguished themselves in every profession, trade and walk of life.

In the days when Prince Edward Island boasted of her fleet of sailing ships, the men of Point Prom and the other sections peopled by the descendants of these immigrants, were found commanding ships in every sea. There was scarcely a house that had not sent out one or more master mariners, and they were of the best.

Lord Selkirk did well for this island when he brought these immigrants to her shores. In another book I picked up, *The Founding of Cavernish* by Harold Simpson, is an absolutely marvelous account of the founding and progress of this area of P.E.I. In it I found: Writing in the *Montreal Gazette* of December 26, 1972 Cecily E. Lein, an elementary History and Geography teacher says in part: "History teaches us that, in the beginning, it was the land that conditioned the people who stayed here. It was only the tough, brave, gutsy people, who could learn to live in harmony with the land, who could survive here; people who learned to love Canada not only for what it could give them but for what it was".

The spirit of these pioneers is shown by the comments of a Scotch wife who, having left her cosy croft in Scotland, saw for the first time the log cabin that was to be her home for some years: "Ah me! When I saw the wee hoose just made of logs my heart went to my mouth, and then I just thought 'If I cannot make my hoose to my mind, I can make my mind to my hoose. Anyway I could live in a hollow log with William'".

It was May 1790. Presumably a log shelter had been

built, probably with a stone fireplace at one end for heat and for cooking, similar to the croft fireplaces of Scotland. The cooking crane had been hung with the iron cooking cauldron suspended. The meager furnishings had been put in place and the food stored away.

Outside, except for the little clearing around the cabin, was unbroken forest where ground must be cleared for planting crops to provide a living. Ahead were days of unbroken toil from daylight till dark, felling and trimming the trees and breaking the land among the stumps to plant potatoes and to sow grain.

History is everywhere on P.E.I. and while there I was kindly welcomed to the meeting of the Stanhope Historical Society. Stanhope is the first Scottish settlement on the island and they recently commemorated it by building a cairn on which it says: -1770 - 1970 Erected to commemorate the arrival of the ship *Falmouth* from Greenock, Scotland, June 8<sup>th</sup> 1770 and the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Stanhope, Covehead and Brackley. Original settlers: Auld, Brown, Dewar, Drummond, Gregor, Jamieson, Lawson, Leitch, MacCallum, MacEwan, MacGregor, MacLauchlan, MacNeill, Marshall, Miller, Shaw and Taylor.

When you consider the whole process of settlement it must have been brutally hard work but those early Scots settlers were strong people with a belief in the future.

It is difficult these days for us to imagine just what they went through but just one description gives us an idea: Shelter had been provided by means of log cabins, crude and cramped, but still shelter and still "home".

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Fuel was abundant for the stone fireplace and water was procured from a nearby brook. To ensure a winter supply of water it is probable that a well was dug during the summer.

The digging of a well was always a high priority. The digging of a round hole five to six feet in diameter proceeded downward until an underground stream was reached which would provide a sufficient flow of water to meet the requirements of the home and the farm. Having "struck water" at whatever depth, the next step was to build a circular stone lining leaving a core some three to four feet in diameter, from the bottom to the surface. Next they would build the working mechanism for raising the water, a windlass, a round log about five or six inches in diameter with a handle at one end, mounted on two upright posts. To the windlass was attached a rope with a bucket which was lowered by the windlass, filled with water and raised to the surface.

The final step in construction was the safety factor, a wall built around the well from hewn logs to a height of two and a half to three feet, often with a hinged cover. Children must be prevented from falling in.

When you come to a place

like P.E.I. this history is still important to the people and there are a great number of historical and genealogical societies on the island and many local publications about the founding of many communities.

One person I spoke with was "Dutch" Thompson who does a regular radio broadcast on CBC. He spends all his spare time recording conversations with the old folk on the island getting them to talk of the old days. This is a major historical archive in its own right.

I was struck by the enormous number of Scottish names on mail boxes at the side of the road as well as road names. The Island Register at <<http://www.islandregister.com/>> is your "Number 1" on-line source for P.E.I. Genealogy, with over 701 P.E.I. lineages, and 4500+ documents online.

P.E.I. has a population of just 133,385 persons according to the 2001 Canadian census. It's just remarkable how well they have maintained records on their history and heritage. It's an example to us all on what can be done and I believe all this history has given the people of Prince Edward Island a real pride in their heritage and with that background a great belief in their future.

some archived issues.

**Medieval Writing:** <<http://medievalwriting.50megs.com/writing.htm>> Developed and maintained by Dr. Dianne Tillotson, this site is a good location to begin learning

## Noteworthy websites for your review

**The LOC.gov Wise Guide:** <<http://www.loc.gov/wiseguide>> The federal government and the Library of Congress, in particular, maintain and develop hundreds of web sites. The Library of Congress has partnered with the Ad Council to create the *Wise Guide*, which is updated monthly and offers links to "the best of the Library's online materials." The site offers the most current edition and

## Richard McMaster,

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gland and on Long Island, it was all shipped through New York. Some passengers from Ulster landed in New York, but by far the greatest number boarded ships for New Castle and Philadelphia, where merchants in the flaxseed trade concentrated. Baltimore became another favored destination only in the late 1760s and 1770s.

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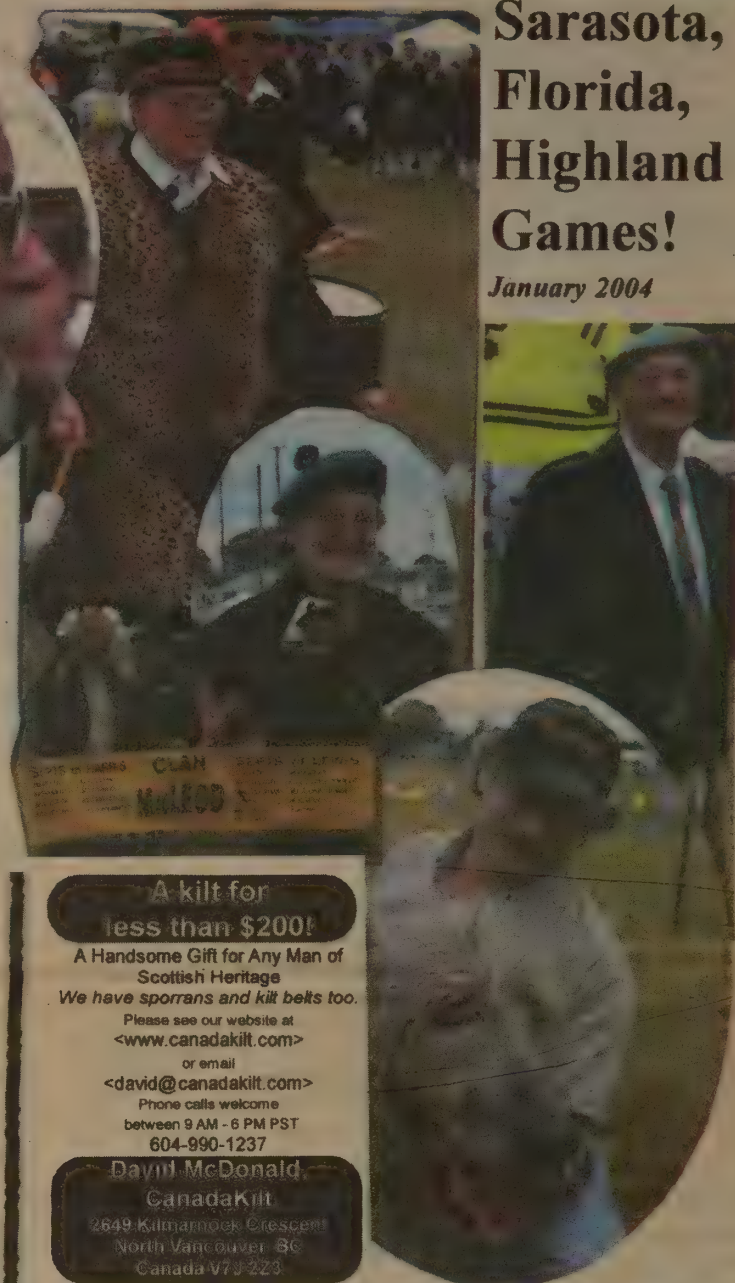
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## Hattenbrun, Ramsey, MacKay, Alston, Wilson & Werdelin win big!

*They track down our boney fella to take home nice prizes...*

In this Skeleton Hunt, we have half a dozen big winners! Alice M. Hall Hattenbrun of Kensington, New Hampshire tracked down the skinny guy to win a wonderful packet of beautiful Celtic art from Bennett Celtic Art.

Paul E. Ramsey of Athens, Alabama persevered to find that wee man to win a really great CD - *Scotland Remembers the Alamo* - from Scottish author and entertainer, Carl Peterson.

Margaret R. MacKay of Estes Park, Colorado has won the tartan dog collar from Bonbright Woolens.

Charlie D. Alston of Scotland Neck, North Carolina has won haggis from The Caledonian Kitchen.

In two "extra" prizes this time, Marcia Wilson of Toledo, Oregon and Evelyn Werdelin of Port Charlotte, Florida have each won one of our Scottie dog blackboards.

Winners of subscriptions to the always interesting Reunions Magazine include Cathy M. Taylor of Glenside, Pennsylvania; Kathy Gibb-Herron of South Lake Tahoe, California; J. Dean McAlister of Cleveland, Tennessee; Grace R. Smith of Arlington, Virginia; Sue MacDonald of Denmark, Maine; Margaret E. Zerwekh of Delafield, Wisconsin; Martha S. Geyer of Pelham, Alabama; Jane Newton of Forsyth, Georgia; Roy A. Dray of East Liverpool, Ohio and Joan Meyer of Iron River, Michigan.

### Exactly how does one hunt a skeleton?

It's sooo easy to hunt a skeleton and does not include getting up early or getting your

**He's hiding somewhere in these pages! Find him!**

**Last time? He was lurking on page 17A**

feet wet. Mosquitoes and gnats are not involved...neither are snakes and guns!

All you have to do - from the comfort of your own easy chair - is to really look at the pages of *The Family Tree*. If you look close enough you'll find the little guy running from his closet. Then, you take a postcard and write your own name and address and the location where you spied that thin and boney person. Address the postcard to: Skeleton, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828. That's it.

Right before the next paper is readied for the printer, we'll draw winners from amongst our entries.

### Why in the world would you want to hunt a skeleton?

Old-timers in the world of genealogy know that black sheep and skeletons are good things in your family tree - because they left records! Precious records! They left a trail for you to find and follow.

Old-timers in the world of genealogical research know that everyone has black sheep and skeletons somewhere in their background (With the exception of Mrs. MacLeod who says all of her family have always been lace-encrusted aristocrats!).

But beginners are sometimes afraid to find that "nut on their family tree limb" or that person who perhaps vacationed in a place sponsored by the government. We simply take the "scary" out of doing family research. We make it possible for you to get the finding of your skeleton out of the way by finding him in our pages!

### Besides...you might win a nice prize!

We have lots of nice goodies for our hunters. The prizes for next time will be a packet of Celtic art from Bennett Celtic Art, a CD from Carl Peterson, a tartan dog collar from Bonbright Woolens, haggis from The Caledonian Kitchen, Scottie dog blackboards from *The Family Tree* and ten subscriptions to Edith Wagner's *Reunion Magazine*.

## the cat's meow



Narra The Wonder Cat relaxes on her fluffy hammock at a "Cat Vacation Spa" after the rigors of Scottish Weekend 2004. Narra visited the event and gave autographs to attendees. She did give a few personal interviews as well.

Pictured around Narra are some of the activities at the cat spa. Narra's favorite activity is shown above as she relaxes in her hammock and watches the other cats exercise and play.

Narra does "napping" very well. She was back on duty for this issue of *The Family Tree* in her official capacity as Proofreader and Recline-On-It Computer Repair Cat!



# Absolute miracles continue in Moultrie!

## You are so very kind! Thank you! Thank you!

Well, here we are again...and it's 100% because of your kindness and generosity. Thank you.

We've had such wonderful contributions that I think maybe two or three hairs have turned back rat brown/dishwater blonde!

However, that only means we have to start work on the next issue! It never ends...and sometimes I feel as if I throw money into a bottomless pit where it is eaten by the Postage and Printing Monsters!

Remember, we have no sources of funding except for our advertisers and YOU.

Please know how much I appreciate everything you do for us.

We had a small disaster during Scottish Weekend 2004. A well-meaning volunteer deleted our Postage Hero column. This is hard to do and I don't know how to do it...to delete something from PageMaker 7.0. However, it was accomplished.

We reconstructed the list to that point from our deposit slips...and that list is at the end of the states list.

If you made a contribution and your name is not here...please write me and I'll be sure it is in the next issue.

Mea Culpa.

Our heroes for this time include:

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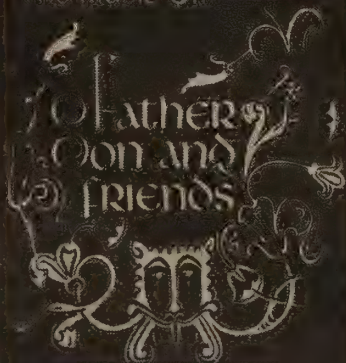
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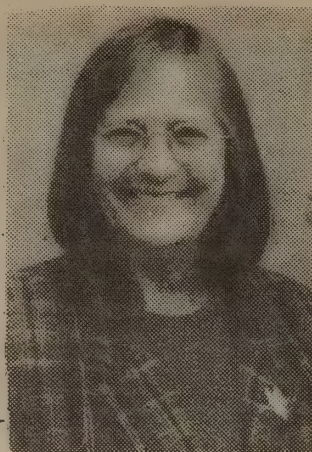
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# A letter from your editor.....

Beth Gay, DGOTJ,  
KR, FSA Scot, Editor-in-  
Chief, *The Family Tree*.



## Scottish CDs are offered for your listening pleasure ...and to help *The Family Tree*

When our friend and knowledgeable person of antique Scottish instruments, D. J. Adams McGilp, was in Moultrie for Scottish Weekend, he came with an abundance of CDs to offer to the public. However, upon leaving, several CDs stayed behind.

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Thanks.

# Miracles happen here each and every day...because of YOU!

Beth Gay, DGOTJ, KR, FSA Scot...

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Our readers and friends are so unbelievably supportive and generous.

It takes more money to print and mail EACH issue of this paper than a pretty nice car costs. You could go on a Windjammer cruise around the world for what it costs EACH time to print and mail this publication.

Somehow, you all come through for us. Thank you.

This time **The Dunvegan Foundation of the Clan MacLeod Society, USA, Inc.**, (Kathrine McLeod of Boling, Texas, Chairman of Projects and Grants) sent monies for the library...for which we are most grateful. Thank you to each and every member of Clan MacLeod.

**Boyt H. Cathy** of Spartanburg, South Carolina sent along a most kind check from Clan Macfie for *The Family Tree*. Thank you!

**Charles R. MacFarland**, Treasurer of the **Clan MacFarlane Society, Inc.**, sent along a most wonderful contribution from his group to "support your work." Many thanks!

We appreciate the most generous kindness of the **Clan Wallace Society Worldwide** based in Virginia Beach, Virginia. **John R. Wallace, KTJ, OMZ, FSA Scot**, president of the society, sent a check to us from his group, along with a kind letter. Thank you!

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Sending along wonderfully kind checks were **Wallace and Margaret Downey** of Southlake, Texas and **Bob and Betty Fletcher** and **Rob Fletcher** - who sent us a marvelous contribution that was a portion of their book sales in Moultrie during Scottish Weekend 2004.

Thank you, as well, to **Mr. & Mrs. Greg W. Scott** of Waldorf, Maryland.

## Roscoe Gay suffers heart attack

Those who have attended the Scottish Weekends in Moultrie over the years all know the tall fella in the apron who magically made the most delicious food appear for our pleasure. That's **Roscoe Gay** (*Yes, Mel's beloved cousin!*).

Roscoe suffered an "episode" with his heart a few weeks after this year's Scottish Weekend, but will be all right. He had angioplasty and a stent. Roscoe did give us a fright since he previously had two heart by-pass surgeries.

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# Newsnotes

## Missing McPersons

Looking for the ancestors or relatives of **THEODORE MONROE**, married to **MARY ANN**? Their son was **JOSHUA M. MONROE**, born ca 1833 in Osage, Iowa and married **KEXIA ALBERTA GELLETT**, born ca 1856, in Bayham, Canada. These were my great, great grandparents. Contact **B.A. Monroe**, 123 Dogwood Circle, St. Marys, Georgia 31558 or email <[www.bmonroe@tds.net](mailto:www.bmonroe@tds.net)>.

**JOHN NORMAN MARSHALL NICHOLSON SMITH** The subject was my grandfather who was born in Campbell Town, Tasmania in 1865. His name has always been a puzzle to me and I was fascinated by the discovery of Scorrybreac in Tasmania this evening. His parents were **SAMUEL SMITH** and **FRANCES KEANE**. To the best of our knowledge, **SAMUEL** was the son of **THOMAS SMITH**, convict from Warwickshire, and **MARTHA FAGAN**, convict from Dublin. **FRANCES KEANE** arrived in Tasmania in 1856 as a bounty immigrant on the 'Woodcote' and the following information is about her: Details: **FRANCES KEANE**, age 20, high

complexion, large oval face, broad forehead, stout figure, religion Church of Scotland, from Wicklow, Ireland. Housemaid and nurse. Can read and write. Bounty payable 16 pounds. Sailed October 7, 1856 from London, arrived December 29, 1856; 54 single women, 2 married couples, and 4 children landed. I wonder why she named her son **JOHN NORMAN MARSHALL NICHOLSON**? **SAMUEL**, her husband, is thought to have been a policeman. He was an extraordinarily handsome man and lived to 97 years of age. We have not been able to find anything more on **FRANCES**. I note she belonged to the Church of Scotland and two of her daughters married a **BERTRAND** and a **LOTHIAN**. Hoping you have some suggestions. Contact **Wilma Fleming**, 26 Kenilworth Pde., Ivanhoe, Victoria, Australia 3079.

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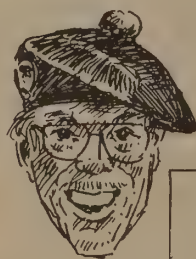
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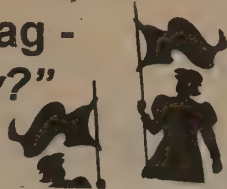


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## The Rampant Lion Flag - "To Fly or Not to Fly?" is the question



At the Potomac Celtic Festival a couple of years ago, it was explained to me by one of the festival officials that in judging the best Scottish tent, points would be subtracted if you were flying or otherwise displaying a Rampant Lion flag. He went on to explain that the flag belonged to and represented the Queen in Scotland and that its use by others was unlawful. This cautionary note bothered me because as I looked down the rows of Scottish tents, I saw a sea of these bright red and yellow flags waving in the wind. I proceeded to ask other clan commissioners if they were aware that the flag's use was unauthorized, but most responded that they were not aware of any such prohibition. Matter of fact, one of the Commissioners advised me that the Lyon Court had authorized the use of the flag and that it was widely used by Scottish soccer and rugby fans.

Confused by these conflicting views, I brought the matter up with Malcolm who contacted the Lyon Court seeking its opinion. The Lyon Clerk and Keeper of Records responded with the following opinion.

"...The Queen has given no formal permission for the lion rampant to be flown as a flag. The situation remains that this is a Royal flag and only used by the Sovereign. It can appear within a scheme of declaration where there are many other flags, but strictly speaking, should not be flown with only the saltire. A blind eye is turned to the waving of the flag at such occasions as Jubilees when The Sovereign herself may be present, or there is a particular desire to show loyalty to the Crown. I think it would be illogical for it to be flown by Americans who clearly have no personal loyalty to the Crown, and I would warmly recommend

that they continue to use the saltire only...."

Malcolm notes that to be correct, we should follow the Lyon clerk's advice. But he also recognizes that few people are aware of the Lyon Court's position and that given the wide use of the Rampant Lion flag in America, "the horse has bolted" and it would be inappropriate to impose now a rigid clan policy outlawing use of the Rampant Lion.

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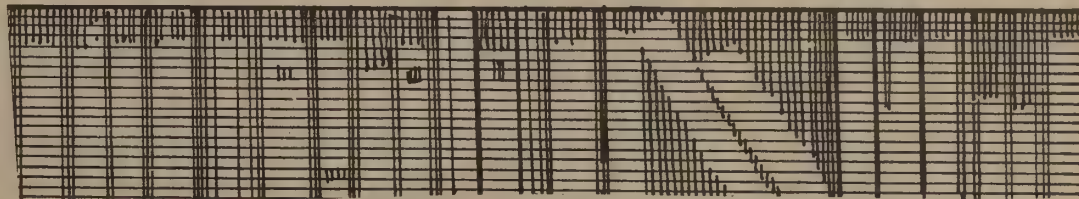
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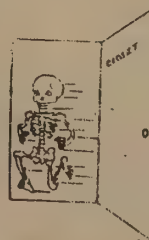
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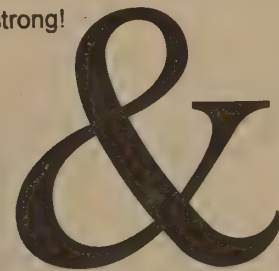
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Looking for ancestors and siblings of **WILLIAM FILSON**, wife unknown. Lived in Woodford County, Kentucky before 1800; moved to Morgan County, Illinois in mid-1820s. Died in 1848. Could be from West Chester, Pennsylvania or Virginia. Contact **Larry Rolfe**, 732 Stone Mountain, Conroe, Texas 77302; phone 936-321-2789, or email <larryandpat80@hotmail.com>.

My branch of the **LESLIE** family has lived in Nova Scotia for the last 250+ years. In the late 1800s one of the family moved to southern Saskatchewan leaving a few adult children there, continued on to Brit-

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**ROBERTSON, ROBERT**. Where might our **ROBERTSON** families coming early to North Carolina from Scotland have settled? Could it have been the East Coast or Cape Fear area? My grandfather **ROBERT ROBERTSON** was born ca 1833 in North Carolina, one of a large family of boys. No other member of this large family is known. According to census records, **ROBERT**'s parents too were born in North Carolina. **ROBERT** and **CATHERINE GARBER** were married September 3, 1859, Douglas County, Illinois. Six sons were born in Illinois and in Indiana before the family settled in Southeast Colorado, where **ROBERT** died April 8, 1905. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Contact **Mabel I. Robison**, 2235 Juntura Ct. S., Salem, Oregon 97302-2222, phone 503-589-9567.

Do you have information on **WILLIAM REBEL** or **BILL FARLEY** and son, **JOHN HENRY FARLEY** born 1882? Do you have information on **GILES COVA** and wife **LUCY COLE**? I am

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I have been searching my **CHRISTIE** Family of Lindores, Fifeshire, Scotland but don't seem to get far on the history. My second great grandparents were **GEORGE CHRISTIE** and **ELIZABETH BARCLAY**. They had about nine children and the son, The Right Honourable **JOHN CHRISTIE**, was my great grandfather. He was born November 11, 1817 in Fifeshire and was married to **MARGARET ISOBEL YOUNGER**, born September 29, 1821 in Kent, England. Her father was **VISCOUNT JAMES YOUNGER** and from family history, he was of Scottish birth. **JOHN CHRISTIE** and **MARGARET ISOBEL** came to Canada about 1858 and I have some history of them in Carluke, Wentworth County, Ontario. In an old book I have of **MARGARET ISOBEL**'s she had crossed out "LADY" **MARGARET ISOBEL YOUNGER** and had written **MRS. JOHN CHRISTIE**, but I can't seem to get farther on the history. If anyone has information about this family, please contact **Jean Christie** at <conradk@tymewyse.com>.

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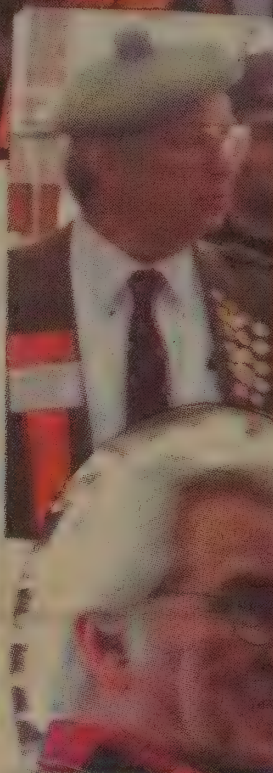
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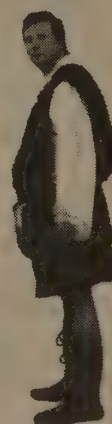


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The 2004 Clansman of the Year Award for Clan Keith Society, USA, Inc., will be announced during the annual meeting at the Loch Norman Highland Games, April 17, 2004.



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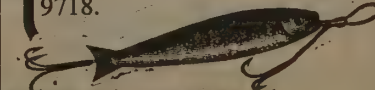
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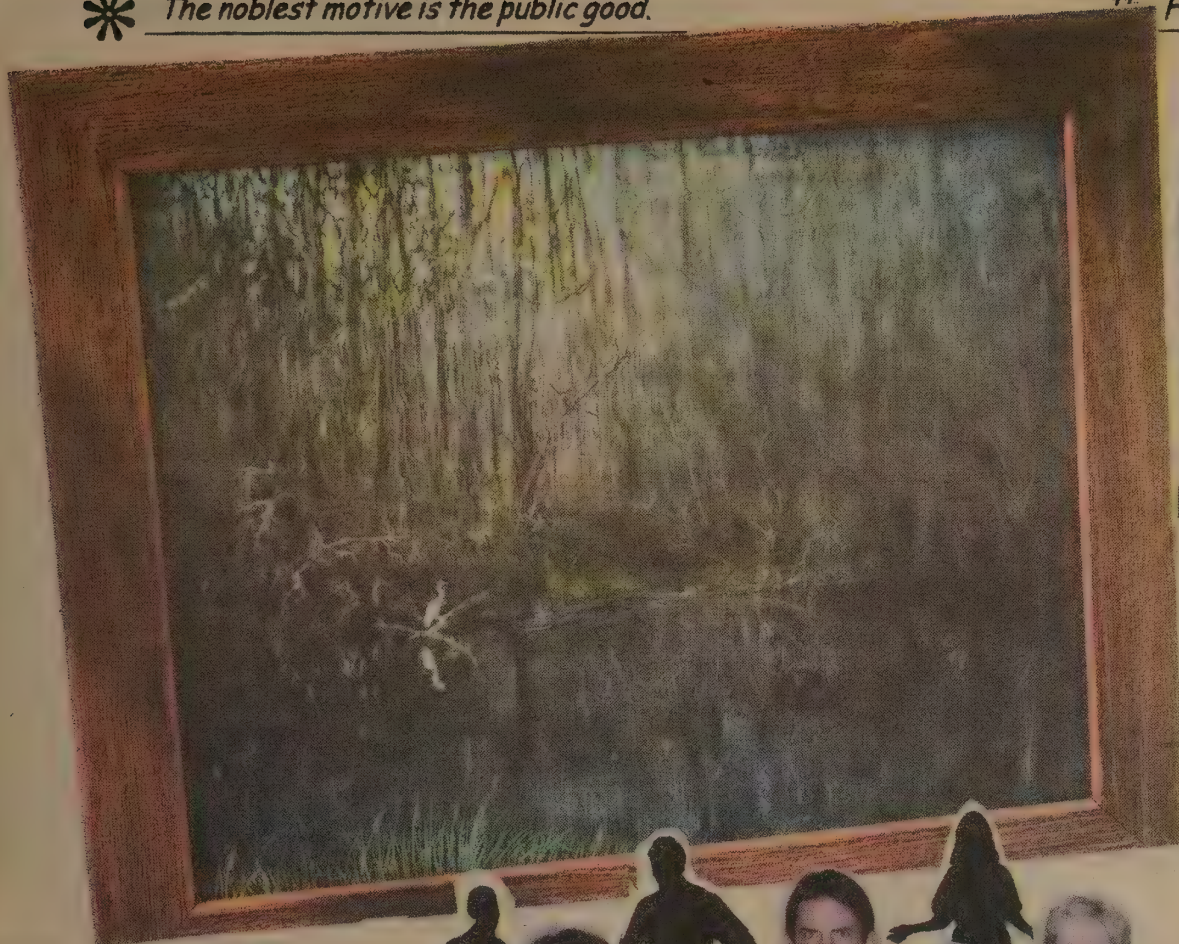
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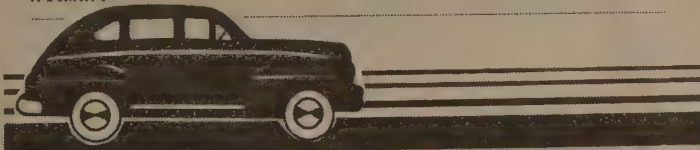
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United States Air Force in 1952 and retired in 1972. He then spent three years studying in the Fine Art Department at Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, Florida, graduating with honors. After Ringling, Mr. Randles had a twenty year career with Walt Disney World near Kissimmee, Florida.

He is married to Frieda and the couple will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary next year. They have five children and four grandchildren. He is a Mason and a Shriner and active in the Scottish community. His art has been sold and shown in several states.



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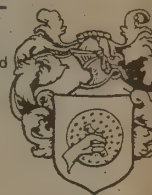
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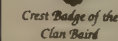
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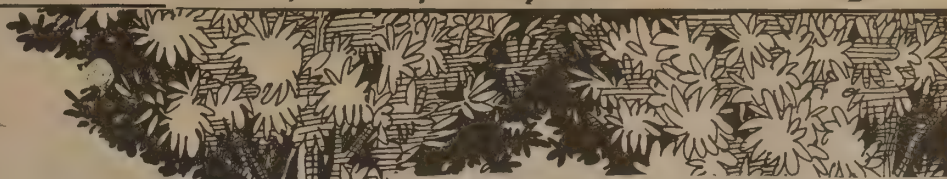
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**Dr. David Pittman Johnson, FSA Scot,** July 29, 1936 - March 8, 2004. Dr. Johnson was the son of the late C. Leonard Johnson, PhD (Hon) and Charles Bernice Cagle of Montgomery, Alabama. He received a Bachelor of Science in Education from Huntington College in Montgomery and went on to receive Master's and Doctorate degrees in Social Work from Tulane University in New Orleans. He served as a clinical social worker and later as Director of Outpatient Services at Montgomery Area Mental Health Center and went on to become an Associate Professor of Social Work at the University of Alabama in the Master's Program.

During his professional career he attained various professional certifications, including Diplomate Status in Clinical Social Work. Upon retirement he opened a small private practice in clinical social work and social work consultation. Most recently, he has worked as an outpatient rural therapist in Pickens County, Alabama. He was an active member of the Holy Trinity Holy Cross Orthodox Church in Birmingham. Prior to this, he was one of the founding members of Saint Gregory's Orthodox Church in Tuscaloosa.

For three decades, David was the president and driving force behind the American College of Heraldry, a chartered, nonprofit body established in 1972 to aid in the study and perpetuation of heraldry in the United States and abroad. He was affiliated with numerous heraldic and lineal organizations. He was a member of the Clan Johnston/e Society. He was the 2003 Whiting Award honoree presented by the International Society for Philosophical Enquiry to publicly acknowledge his significant cultural contributions through his work in the field of heraldry. He was internationally known as an accomplished heraldic designer.

He served his country with the National Guard, Air National Guard and Army Reserve. He

was a Colonel in the Alabama State Defense Force and was recently appointed Chief of Staff, Headquarters.

He leaves his wife, Linda, sons Michael and Christ and a host of relatives and friends.

David was a good and faithful friend of *The Family Tree* and a kind and thoughtful friend of your editor's. In spite of all of the very academic and fancy honors he attained...he retained his great sense of humor and dry wit. He will be missed.

**Reuben Kirkland Brown, 59,** died suddenly on Thursday, March 4, in Ft. Myers, Florida. He was retired from the International Brotherhood of Electric Workers. He leaves behind his adopted daughter, Karen Brown of Orlando, Florida and a brother, Henry Goodge Brown of Mission Viejo, California and a half-sister, Beth Gay, of Moultrie, Georgia. He also leaves behind a special friend, Patricia Jones of Jacksonville, Florida. He was cremated and his ashes were scattered at sea.

**Cavaliere Anthony J. Lascio, Jr., 70,** of Plainfield, Illinois died Tuesday, March 25, 2004 at his residence after a long illness; beloved husband of Adrienne, nee Lisak, since 1966; loving father of Lynne (Tim) Yuill, Robert and the late Paul; proud grandfather of Emily and Sarah; fond uncle and cousin to many. He was a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus and a distinguished Knight of Merit with Star in the Royal Dynasty Military Constantinian Order, Knights of St. George, House of Bourbon, Kingdom of the Two Sicilies. He was the founder of Chicagoland Candlelighters, a support group of parents of children with cancer. He also founded the Chicagoland Chapter of POINTERS In Person (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together), the nation's first Italian genealogy interest group. He was the genealogy journalist for *Fra Noi*, Chicago's Ital-

ian American newspaper, as well as other out of town publications including *The Family Tree*, taught Italian genealogy classes, and was a public speaker on Italian genealogy.

*Tony was a nice man and a good friend. He will surely be missed.*

**Dr. R. Quinn Pugh, Sr., 74,** died Friday, February 13, in Savannah, Georgia during surgery. He was a retired Baptist minister who worked with the Baptist World Alliance. He was active in both the religious and historic communities in Bulloch County, Georgia. Dr. Pugh was the first president of the Scottish Heritage Society of Southeast Georgia.



During his career, Pugh served as the pastor of churches in Louisiana, Georgia, New Jersey, Kentucky and Maryland and was executive director of the New York Metropolitan Baptist Association and later executive director of the New York State Baptist Convention. At the time of his death, Pugh served on the Heritage and Identity Commission and the National Evangelism Workgroup for the Baptist World Alliance.

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*Dr. and Mrs. Pugh hosted us just a few weeks ago when we were invited to attend the Burns Supper in Statesboro. We had a delightful time in their beautiful home and enjoyed our time with Quinn and Norma. We have indeed lost a treasure in Quinn Pugh. Your ed.*

**Henri Eugene "Gene" Cowger, 73,** a retired professional engineer, died Sunday, February 29, 2004, at Big Bend

Hospice House. He is survived by his wife, Sue F. Cowger.

A native of Decatur, Illinois, Gene moved from Lakeland to Tallahassee in 1970. He received a Bachelor of Science in engineering in 1952 from the University of Illinois, where he was a member of Tau Beta Pi and Chi Epsilon honorary societies. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War and served 18 months in Korea. From 1983 until retiring in 1997, he was an engineer-director for the Florida Limerock and Aggregate Institute.

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# Lowland Scots The other 70%

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While wearing my hat as the North Carolina Tartan Day Coordinator and preparing for events and entertainment to celebrate Tartan Day I had the occasion to read in total the Declaration of Arbroath and I noticed that several of the names were definitely Lowlanders as noted by the areas they presided over. Perhaps a name in your family tree is among the ones listed below.

For those of you unfamiliar with the Declaration I'll give a little history. Robert the Bruce, who himself was the Earl of Carrick, in southwestern Scotland, had defeated the English at Bannockburn in 1314 and had then in 1319 retaken Berwick, the most southeastern portion of Scotland, from the English, but Edward II still refused after eight years to recognize Scotland as a free

and independent nation. Robert had to prove to Pope John XXII that Scotland was a free and independent nation with its own king. The fact that Robert had been excommunicated from the church for the killing the Red Comyn on holy grounds, compounded the problem of having the Pope recognize Scotland as a free nation with Robert as its king.

It is believed that the writer of the Declaration was the Abbot of Arbroath (Bernard of Lintin). The Declaration was read and signed in the Abbey of Arbroath, in the district of Angus, the origin of the Angus cow, an area just above Dundee on the northeastern coast of Scotland by 29 of Robert's lords on April 6th 1320. The date of this Declaration was chosen as Tartan Day by Canada and then by the

U.S. as a day to celebrate one's Scottish heritage.

Among these were Thomas Randolph, Earl of Moray, Lord of Man and of Annandale (in the southeastern area of Scotland near the English border), Patrick Dunbar (Dunbar is an area east of Edinburgh on the North Sea, Duncan, Earl of Fife, just to the northeast of Edinburgh across the Firth of Forth, James, Lord Douglas (the Black Douglas - mentioned in previous articles) from the south central area of Scotland, John Menteith, guardian of the earldom of Menteith, an area just to the west of Bannockburn which sits at the base of the Highlands and Malcolm, Earl of Lennox (just below Menteith), William Wemyss, the Sheriff of Fife, Fergus of Ardrossan (in the Ayrshire area which lies on the mid-eastern coastal area of Scotland), Sir

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Eustace Maxwell of Nithsdale (mid-southern area of Scotland), Alexander Seton of Dunfermline (just across from Edinburgh across the firth of Forth), an John Inchmartin of Fife.

So I have named 11 (the ones that I can confirm were not from the highlands or the northern coasts of Scotland. So at least 1/3 of the signers were Lowlanders. ●



## Tartan Day in New Mexico was in the swing

The New Mexico Tartan Day chairman, H. William Hart, approved the plans to start Tartan Day 2004 in a benefiting way. Ralph L. Stevenson, Jr., KTJ, New Mexico Tartan Day media chairman, worked with Peter Kelton, a golf organizer, for the local Mothers' Against Drunk Driving (MADD) to bring something Scottish to the annual golfing event. The Civil Air Patrol Color Guard and Piper Tim Delaney began the MADD Scrabble with their exciting entertainment. Piper Delaney is a former student of Pipe Master Harry McNulty and Jerald Rooney. Both Delaney and Peter Kelton wore the New Mexico Tartan.

The event was held on April 3rd at the Arroyo Del Oso Golf Course in Albuquerque.

## 1890 census fragments are very useful today!

We should not forget the 6,160 names that did survive the fire are from Alabama, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Dakota and Texas. They are indexed on M496, two rolls and filmed on M407 on three rolls.

From the Whittier Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) Newsletter, PO Box 4367, Los Angeles County, Whittier, California 90607-4367.

## An early...

## Happy 300th birthday to Albuquerque!

Albuquerque, New Mexico, will be 300 years old in 2006. The city is planning a year long celebration beginning in April 2005. The New Mexico Genealogical Society's contribution to the Tri-Centennial will be a book titled *A Genealogical History of the Founding Families of the Villa de San Felipe de Albuquerque*.

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## Flowers of the Forest, Continued from page 17 B



the antebellum crew. He was a member of Pisgah United Methodist Church.

Other survivors include three children: Command Sgt. Maj. James Christian Faris (and wife Alisia), U.S. Army, Fayetteville, N.C.; James Henri Cowger, and Mary Cowger; and two grandchildren, Lauren Brittany Hughes-Faris and Paige Faris.

*Gene and Sue never missed a Scottish Weekend in Moultrie. The loss of Gene will leave a large empty place in all of our lives.*

**Terry Bennett Smithson Hildreth**, 67, of O'Fallon, Missouri died last October. He was a retired aerospace engineer for McDonnell Douglas Corp. He was a former member of the United States Air Force. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Janette and a son and a daughter.

**J. David Murdock** died last December 6 at age 67. He had been pastor at The American Lutheran Church, District, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in American Northern Texas, Louisiana Synod and Elm Creek Lutheran Church. He was a District Executive in the St. Louis Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He received the District Award of Merit from Leon Valley District of the BSA and the Silver Beaver National Court of Honor,

Heart of Texas Council. He was a Philosophy Instructor at Central Texas College of Killeen, Texas.

Mr. Murdock served in the USAF and was a prisoner of Iraq's military during the 1958 Revolution. He was at Beirut, Lebanon when President Eisenhower sent in the Marines in 1958. He saw duty in Tripoli, Libya during their period of civil unrest. He received the Commanders Award for Public Service from the Department of the Army.

He was a recipient of the Wildcat Award from Sir William Macpherson of Cluny, Chief of Clan Macpherson. He was a Council member of the US Branch of the Clan Association since 1983 and was a Council member of the International Association. He served since 1984 as Clan Sennachie and developed the Clan Macpherson Association website and was a member of many lineal and historical groups.



**Daniel L. Forsythe**, Master Gunnery Sgt., USMC (ret.), age 61, of Triangle, passed away last December at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

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In 1991, Daniel won the Silver Medal in the Police Fire

World Championship Games. (It should be noted that the gold medal was won by an Olympian from the USA and he was also competing against two other Olympians. The rifle he won with - he built.)

**James Franklin Hutchison** passed away February 2, 2004 at 89-1/2 years of age. He was a farmer all his life and was legally blind for 42 years. His ancestors were George Gunn (Civil War) and James Boyd. His grandmother was Catherine Boyd and his grandfather was William Gunn. He is survived by his wife Ina R. Hutchison of Unity, Ohio.

It is with extreme regret that we note the passing of a long-term and faithful member of the Clan Shaw Society, **Arthur F. Smith**. Arthur was

the husband of Nell Smith.

Having joined the Society in early 1984, and holding membership number 0008, Arthur and Nell were among the very first members and were the first outside the national capital area where the society began. Nell and Arthur were long time conveners for the society in Mississippi and were enthusiastic supporters. (Nell has recently been elected a trustee.)

Arthur was also very active and supportive in the Caledonian Society of Mississippi and other similar organizations.

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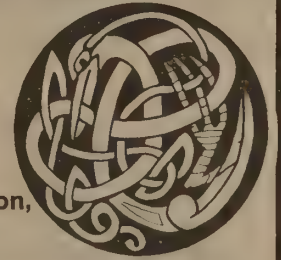
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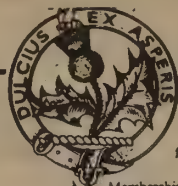
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## **Armstrong lass finishes 2nd in Oregon state cross country race**

Meghan Armstrong finished second in the state cross country race. Meghan was hoping to win the 5000-meter state race, but finished second by 7 seconds. She has won four titles at the state track and field meet, but the cross country title once again escaped her. She has come in second the past three years at the state meet, but each year improved her final time. Meghan is a senior at Tualatin High School, Tualatin, Oregon. She won the conference title this year.



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### **Mea Culpa from your Claymore editor**

For those members of The Council of Scottish Clans & Associations who receive their publication, *The Claymore*, I must apologise for an attack of something or another. It happened while I was writing the current just-mailed issue. I was typing in the name of Scotland's Lord Lyon King of Arms Robin Orr Blair...and received a phone call from a Campbell friend of mine in Scotland...and my fingers just re-named the Lord Lyon, Robin Campbell instead of Robin Orr Blair.

The publication was proof-read by several folks - and the terrible error went unnoticed by all. I humbly apologise.

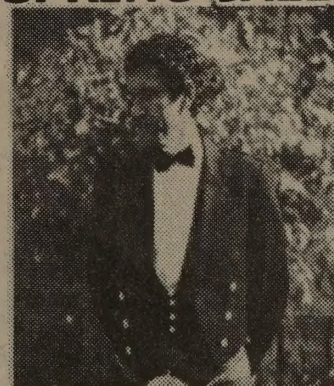
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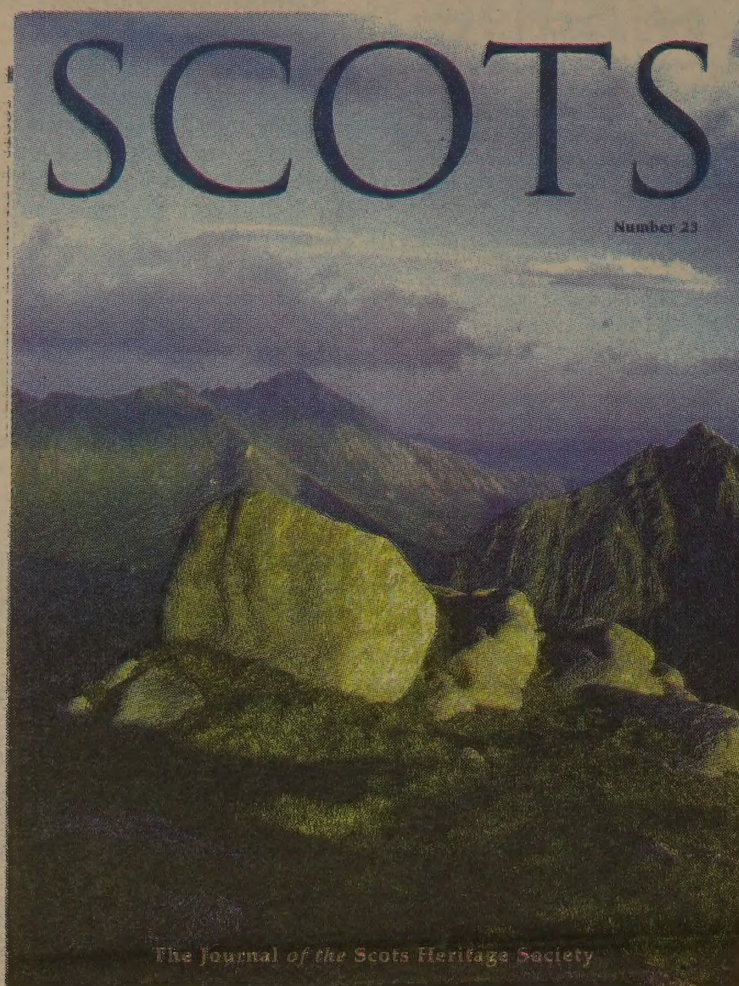
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## Who's Who?

**CELTS;** Specific group of Indo-Europeans (called Keltai by the Greeks) who migrated from the Danube Valley to western Europe and the British Isles, beginning in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century B.C.

**GAELS;** Celtic tribes who moved from England into Ireland, Scotland and the Isle of Man; from the word Gaidheil, the name these people called themselves.

**BRITONS;** Celtic tribes pushed out of Southern England into Strathclyde, (and Cornwall and Wales) by the Anglo-Saxon invasions of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> centuries A.D.; from the Latin name Briton.

**PICTS;** Peoples inhabiting England when the Romans first invaded in 80 A.D. The Romans gave these people the name Picti or painted men. It is thought that the Picts were a Celtic group, more related to the British branch, rather than the Gaelic branch.

**CALEDONIANS;** Name given by the Romans to the people inhabiting what is now Scotland, which the Romans called Caledonia.

**SASSENACHS;** Invaders of Scotland from Saxony in Northern Germany; from the Gaelic name for Saxon.

**SCOTS;** Gaels from Dalriada in Ireland who settled in Argyll in the 6<sup>th</sup> century A.D.; from the Latin word Scotti. The Scots faced the Picts north of the Clyde and Forth rivers, and the Britons to the south. By the 9<sup>th</sup> Century, the Scots emerged victorious. However, when the Anglo-Saxons merged with the Viking Norsemen beginning in the 11<sup>th</sup> Century, they pushed the Scots out to the westernmost fringes of Scotland.

**HIBERNIANS;** Inhabitants of Ireland, which the Romans called Hibernia.

## Are you looking for ancestors?

Does anybody know the parentage of **STEPHEN PEARSON** who lived in Burke Co., North Carolina ca 1800? He may have died in 1832. He was married to **MARY POTTS** and is believed to have had two sons, **JOHN A. PEARSON** and **JOSEPH PEARSON**. He also had lived in Rowan County, North Carolina and at one time owned property on the Yadkin River. Please contact Les Pearson, 1393 Virginia Drive, Ellisville, MO 63011.

